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The President of Synod
Mr. Clinton von Seggern (1961)
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Roll of Synod

Ministers and Addresses	Ordained	Ent. Synod	Conf.	Parishes and Delegates
ALBERT, DONALD L. Wolbach, Nebraska	1955	1958	C	Trinity Paul H. Rother
ALEXANDER, WILLARD W., D.D. 4720 Randolph Street Lincoln, Nebraska	1935	1935	C	Superintendent Tabitha Home
ALKSNIS, GUNNAR Route #2 Russell, Kansas	1956	1956	SW	Trinity David H. Bender
ALLEN, HARRY R. 3743 Harrison Boulevard Kansas City, Missouri	1926	1951	SE	St. Mark Al Borcherding
ALTHOF, THEODORE Gregor Mendel Vienna 19, Austria	1936	1948		Lutheran World Federation - Dept. of World Service
AMEND, EDWARD J., Th.D. Wisner, Nebraska	1927	1945	NE	Christ Hans C. Harst
AMEND, EDWARD W. 4801 South Lewis Tulsa, Oklahoma	1955	1955	S	Ascension Darwin Lamkin
ANDERSON, P. O. Hanover, Kansas	1945	1945	SW	Zion George F. Mueller
ANGERSBACH, ARTHUR L. 1015 North Washington Hutchinson, Kansas	1928	1949	SW	Zion Paul C. Buskirk
ASHLEY, MARTIN C. 1616 South 94th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1949	1949	C	Morning Star
BADE, CHESMOND P.O. Box 1134, Stn. A Fort Smith, Arkansas	1955	1955	S	St. Luke
BAHNSEN, J. A. Lipscomb, Texas	1910	1910		Retired
BARNELL, B. A. Greenleaf, Kansas	1934	1956	SW	Trinity Mrs. B. A. Barnell
BASTIAN, EDWIN P. Kutztown, Pennsylvania	1949	1949		Inactive
BAUGHMAN, A. C. Fontanelle, Nebraska	1921	1949	NE	Salem Mrs. A. C. Baughman
BERGFELDER, OTTO 255 11th N. W. Waverly, Iowa	1902	1924		Retired

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BERGSTRESSER, FULLER, D.D. 514 West Third Abilene, Kansas	1894	1926	SW	Trinity
BERGSTRESSER, RALPH R. 2650 Farnam Street Omaha, Nebraska	1932	1956	C	Kountze Memorial Ernest F. Nelson
BERNHARDT, HARVEY H. Washington, Kansas	1937	1942	SW	Good Shepherd Jackie Froehlich
BIEDENWEG, H. M. Falls City, Nebraska	1926	1926	C	St. Peter Albert Merz
BOLDT, F. D., D.D. 433 East Military Fremont, Nebraska	1928	1951	NE	Salem Carl F. Olson
BREI, HARLAN A. Scribner, Nebraska	1953	1953	NE	St. John (Ridgely) St. Matthew (N. Bend)
BREUNSBACH, DANIEL K. 606 East 2nd Street Fremont, Nebraska	1958	1958		Missionary
CHURCHILL, WARREN F. Creston, Nebraska	1935	1935	NE	St. Peter (Creston) St. Paul (Leigh)
CLARK, HARVEY 502 West 2nd Street Grand Island, Nebraska	1935	1947	C	St. Paul William Woodhead
CORDTS, H. C. Wilber, Nebraska	1926	1926	C	First
CRESS, FOSTER L. Walton, Nebraska	1928	1936	C	Grace (Walton) Trinity (Eagle)
DAIRE, DELBERT L. Paxton, Nebraska	1955	1955	NW	Trinity
DAUBENSPECK, WAYNE Lutheran Student Center 23, 3-Chome, Honcho Yokosuka, Japan	1930	1930		Chaplain
de FREESE, KLAAS J., D.D. 213 East Division Peabody, Kansas	1916	1956	SW	St. Paul Joe Neuhauser
de FREESE, LOUIS H. 1300 North Robinson Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	1936	1952	S	First Garman O. Kimmell
de FREESE, PAUL 511 North Burlington Hastings, Nebraska	1943	1943	NW	First St. Paul's Floyd M. Crewdson
de FREESE, S. KENNETH 421 Lincoln Street Wayne, Nebraska	1942	1942	NE	Redeemer

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DIECKMAN, PAUL W., D.D. Midland College Fremont, Nebraska	1932	1952		President Midland College
DIEKHOFF, HERMAN J. Pierce, Nebraska	1920	1920	NE	Christ Leland Diekhoff
DOBBE, LEROY J. 506 South New York Avenue Hastings, Nebraska	1955	1956	NW	St. Paul
DOWLER, HUGH Spencer, Nebraska	1930	1958	NE	United Mrs. Hugh Dowler
DUHRKOP, GUSTAV F. 214 North 9th Street Beatrice, Nebraska	1919	1919	C	Trinity
DUIS, ALFRED J. 105 South Duck Stillwater, Oklahoma	1934	1934	S	Salem (Stillwater) Lawrence O. Hansen Zion (Perry) Lillie Brokop
DUMLER, HENRY Davenport, Nebraska	1926	1925	C	Christ
DUNNING, RICHARD Lancaster, Kansas	1958	1958	SE	St. John's
ELLER, GEORGE W. 613 North Mill Beloit, Kansas	1935	1939	SW	Zion H. P. Andreson
EMPSON, CARL I. Dakota City, Nebraska	1924	1954	NE	Salem Mel Beerman
ENSRUD, JOSEPH O. 982 Duke Drive Alexandria, Virginia	1912	1926		U.S. Army Retired
FREDERICK, PAUL H. W., D.D. 1643 North Colson Fremont, Nebraska	1900	1931		Retired
FREDERICK, SHERMAN E. 206 West 7th Street Emporia, Kansas	1937	1937	SW	St. Mark Theo. F. Hahn
FREYTAG, FREDERICK Stella, Nebraska	1928	1950	C	Trinity
FROBENIUS, RENO R., D.D. 1142 South 94th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1930	1943	C	Secretary of Home Missions
FUNK, DAVID M. 912 Osage Street Sedalia, Missouri	1922	1953	SE	Trinity

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FUERST, WESLEY J. Central Seminary Fremont, Nebraska	1957	1957		Professor Central Seminary
GASTON, ROBERT E. 8th and Grant York, Nebraska	1930	1930	C	First (York) Edwin W. H. Otto First (McCool Junction) Charles E. Kaliff
GEISSLER, MAX H. WaKeeney, Kansas	1931	1949	SW	Zion
GIESCHEN, GERHARD Central Seminary Fremont, Nebraska	1922	1951		Professor Central Seminary
GIESCHEN, ROGER K. 2148 Barclay Drive Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	1958	1958	S	Mission Developer
GIGSTAD, KARL G. 2222 Sixteenth Street Columbus, Nebraska	1941	1941	NE	United Harm Kruse
GITTLER, HENRY Lanham, Nebraska	1958	1958	C	St. John's Merlin D. Brei
GOEDE, CARL H. Valley, Nebraska	1924	1924	C	St. Mark
GOEDE HENRY J. 1317 South 26th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1930	1930	C	Grace
GOEDE, HERMAN, D.D. 540 D Street Lincoln, Nebraska	1922	1922	C	Friedens Rollie S. Adams
GOLDSTEIN, CARL R. 623 South Madison Street Papillion, Nebraska	1931	1931	C	Trinity
GOMANN, EMIL A., S.T.D. 91 Belmont Avenue West Kitchener, Ontario, Canada	1913	1951		Retired
GRAHAM, THOMAS E. Board of Foreign Missions 231 Madison Avenue New York 16, New York	1957	1957		Missionary
GRINVALDS, VITAUTS Sterling Nebraska	1957	1957	C	St. John's
GULBIS, MODRIS K. Winside, Nebraska	1953	1953	NE	Trinity
HAMILTON, HAROLD E. 115 East South Park Lawrence, Kansas	1947	1954	SE	Trinity Albert C. Hayden

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DIECKMAN, PAUL W., D.D. Midland College Fremont, Nebraska	1932	1952		President Midland College
DIEKHOFF, HERMAN J. Pierce, Nebraska	1920	1920	NE	Christ Leland Diekhoff
DOBBE, LEROY J. 506 South New York Avenue Hastings, Nebraska	1955	1956	NW	St. Paul
DOWLER, HUGH Spencer, Nebraska	1930	1958	NE	United Mrs. Hugh Dowler
DUHRKOP, GUSTAV F. 214 North 9th Street Beatrice, Nebraska	1919	1919	C	Trinity
DUIS, ALFRED J. 105 South Duck Stillwater, Oklahoma	1934	1934	S	Salem (Stillwater) Lawrence O. Hansen Zion (Perry) Lillie Brokop
DUMLER, HENRY Davenport, Nebraska	1926	1925	C	Christ
DUNNING, RICHARD Lancaster, Kansas	1958	1958	SE	St. John's
ELLER, GEORGE W. 613 North Mill Beloit, Kansas	1935	1939	SW	Zion H. P. Andreson
EMPSON, CARL I. Dakota City, Nebraska	1924	1954	NE	Salem Mel Beerman
ENSRUD, JOSEPH O. 982 Duke Drive Alexandria, Virginia	1912	1926		U.S. Army Retired
FREDERICK, PAUL H. W., D.D. 1643 North Colson Fremont, Nebraska	1900	1931		Retired
FREDERICK, SHERMAN E. 206 West 7th Street Emporia, Kansas	1937	1937	SW	St. Mark Theo. F. Hahn
FREYTAG, FREDERICK Stella, Nebraska	1928	1950	C	Trinity
FROBENIUS, RENO R., D.D. 1142 South 94th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1930	1943	C	Secretary of Home Missions
FUNK, DAVID M. 912 Osage Street Sedalia, Missouri	1922	1953	SE	Trinity

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GASTON, ROBERT E. 8th and Grant York, Nebraska	1930	1930	C	First (York) Edwin W. H. Otto First (McCool Junction) Charles E. Kaliff
GEISSLER, MAX H. WaKeeney, Kansas	1931	1949	SW	Zion
GIESCHEN, GERHARD Central Seminary Fremont, Nebraska	1922	1951		Professor Central Seminary
GIESCHEN, ROGER K. 2148 Barclay Drive Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	1958	1958	S	Mission Developer
GIGSTAD, KARL G. 2222 Sixteenth Street Columbus, Nebraska	1941	1941	NE	United Harm Kruse
GITTLER, HENRY Lanham, Nebraska	1958	1958	C	St. John's Merlin D. Brei
GOEDE, CARL H. Valley, Nebraska	1924	1924	C	St. Mark
GOEDE HENRY J. 1317 South 26th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1930	1930	C	Grace
GOEDE, HERMAN, D.D. 340 D Street Lincoln, Nebraska	1922	1922	C	Friedens Rollie S. Adams
GOLDSTEIN, CARL R. 623 South Madison Street Papillion, Nebraska	1931	1931	C	Trinity
GOMANN, EMIL A., S.T.D. 91 Belmont Avenue West Kitchener, Ontario, Canada	1913	1951		Retired
GRAHAM, THOMAS E. Board of Foreign Missions 231 Madison Avenue New York 16, New York	1957	1957		Missionary
GRINVALDS, VITAUTS Sterling Nebraska	1957	1957	C	St. John's
GULBIS, MODRIS K. Winside, Nebraska	1953	1953	NE	Trinity
HAMILTON, HAROLD E. 115 East South Park Lawrence, Kansas	1947	1954	SE	Trinity Albert C. Hayden

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HAMILTON, ROBERT D. 7935 Holmes Road Kansas City, Missouri	1954	1954	SE	Reformation
HANSEN, CLARENCE J. Rock Port, Missouri	1946	1946	C	First (Rock Port) Glen Miller St. Peter (Langdon)
HANSEN, PAUL 29th North Street Georgetown 8, British Guiana South America	1943	1948		Missionary
HARDER, WILLIAM Tabitha Home Lincoln, Nebraska	1893	1894		Retired
HAUT, ROBERT J. 2547 North 62nd Street Omaha, Nebraska	1952	1952	C	First English
HEIDBREDER, JOHN C. Niobrara, Nebraska	1957	1957	NE	Niobrara (Niobrara) Good Shepherd (Lindy)
HEIDENREICH, WILLIAM C. Hampton, Nebraska	1906	1928	C	Immanuel (Supply)
HEIER, HARLAN F. Verdon, Nebraska	1955	1955	C	St. Mark
HENKEL, FRED W. 3195 East Louise Salt Lake City, Utah	1926	1938		Mission Developer
HENNING, WILFRED H. Route #2 Gothenburg, Nebraska	1945	1945	NW	Zion
HERBER, GEORGE Gretna, Nebraska	1931	1931	C	Resurrection
HEUSER, EARL 1120 Hill Street Durant, Oklahoma	1950	1950	S	Mission Developer
HIBBELER, O. ROBERT Hardy, Nebraska	1953	1953	C	St. Paul
HINTERMEYER, VERNON Potter, Nebraska	1956	1956	NW	First Leonard E. Nelson
HIRSCH, EDWIN J. WaKeeney, Kansas	1933	1947	SW	Bethlehem John W. Gaither, Jr.
HULL, HARRY B. Hays, Kansas	1933	1956	SW	Trinity
HULSE, ROBERT J. Pilger, Nebraska	1958	1958	NE	St. Peter (Pilger) Einar Jensen St. Luke (Stanton)

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HUNEKE, ARTHUR W. Johnson, Nebraska	1936	1948	C	St. Matthew
JACOBS, VERNON F. 3454 South Gary Tulsa, Oklahoma	1950	1950	S	First E. L. Bumgarner
JENSEN, CLAUDIUS E. 7103 Minne Lusa Boulevard Omaha, Nebraska	1931	1952	C	Our Redeemer
JENSEN, MOGENS A. Route #1 Hastings, Nebraska	1905	1905		Retired
JENSEN, SAMUEL W. 221 East 21st Street South Sioux City, Nebraska	1941	1943	NE	First F. H. Olson
JESIFERS, HERBERT 2144 Washington Lincoln, Nebraska	1940	1951	C	Latvian
JOBMAN, RICHARD Norfolk, Nebraska	1940	1940	NE	St. John
JOENS, HERMAN 408 Prospect Fremont, Nebraska	1930	1930		Retired
JOHNSON, RAYMOND E. Sunrise Beach, Missouri	1941	1953	SE	Kent Memorial Mrs. Henry Masden
JUILFS, FREDERICK J. 2215 North 70th Terrace Bethel, Kansas	1954	1954	SE	Prince of Peace Edmund L. Meyer
KABELE, MARTIN G. 316 South 10th Street St. Joseph, Missouri	1936	1958	SE	First English A. D. Matteson
KERN, FRED W., Th.D. 78 Orchard Place Battle Creek, Michigan	1927	1946		Office of Religious Affairs, Civil Defense Administration
KLEINERT, HENRY B. Midland College Fremont, Nebraska		1958		Chaplain Midland College
KLICKMAN, AUGUST H. Blue Hill, Nebraska	1929	1956	NW	St. Paul
KLINK, WILLIAM A. 2317 Howe Avenue Sacramento 21, California	1917	1917		Retired
KNAUB, HENRY G. Bloomfield, Nebraska	1935	1935	NE	St. Mark's Henry Hagge

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KNUDSEN, ARTHUR M., D.D. 4852 Harney Street Omaha, Nebraska	1913	1956		Director, Midland College Appeal
KOCH, DENNIS K. 1606 Fifth Corso Nebraska City, Nebraska	1952	1952		Missionary
KOCHER, ROBERT G. Board of Foreign Missions 231 Madison Avenue New York 16, New York	1954	1954		Missionary
KONIG, KARL G. Yutan, Nebraska	1924	1924	C	St. John's Carl G. Stange
KONIG, KARL H. Ohiowa, Nebraska	1953	1953	C	St. John's
KONIG PAUL 2492 Franklin Bellevue, Nebraska	1956	1956	C	Immanuel
KRANZOW, GLEN W. 191-2 1-Chome Akebono-Cho Tachikawa, Japan	1957	1957		Missionary
KREBS, GEORGE P. West Point, Nebraska	1934	1945	NE	Grace William J. Fegley
KUEHNER, PAUL C. Diller, Nebraska	1923	1938	C	St. Paul's
KUEHNER, THEODORE G. Clearwater, Minnesota	1915	1948		Retired
La FONTAINE, LEO S. Route #1 Auburn, Nebraska	1937	1950	C	St. John
LAMM, LESTER L. Scribner, Nebraska	1956	1956	NE	St. John (Scribner) Fred Von Seggern St. Paul (Uehling)
LAU, F. WALDORF 701 Oak Valley Falls, Kansas	1945	1948		Interim Supply Pastor St. Paul's Church
L'HEUREUX, LOUIS H. 510 West Stadium Boulevard Ann Arbor, Michigan	1951	1951		Missionary
LENSER, HERMAN L. Hanover, Kansas	1906	1906		Retired
LENTZ, ADOLPH B. J., D.D. Louisville, Nebraska	1919	1919	C	Christ

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LESHER, LELAND H., D.D. 2225 Washington Lincoln, Nebraska	1921	1939	C	Grace D. K. Tyrrell
LESHER, ROBERT L. Hooper, Nebraska	1952	1952	NE	St. Paul Emil H. Suhr
LINSS, WILHELM Central Seminary Fremont, Nebraska	1950	1958		Professor Central Seminary
LOEFFLER, FREDERICK 316 Grant Street Fowler, Colorado	1913	1913		Retired
MATTERN, IVAN G. 925 North Waco Wichita, Kansas	1947	1958	SW	St. Paul Cecil B. Lamb
MATTHIAS, OTTO 505 Brooks Russell, Kansas	1943	1956	SW	St. John's Herman C. Langholz
MARXEN, JOHN N. 3903 - 14th Street Columbus, Nebraska	1906	1906		Retired
McCULLOUGH, JOHN A., D.D. 2710 Blue Ridge Boulevard Kansas City 29, Missouri	1898	1921		Retired
MILLER, ARTHUR W. 10500 East 59th Street Raytown 33, Missouri	1953	1953	SE	Blue Ridge Trinity Donald E. Raymond
MILLER, PAUL 316 West 20th Falls City, Nebraska	1928	1958	C	St. Paul's
MOEBUS, W. MERLE Glasco, Kansas	1958	1958	SW	St. Paul's Raymond Studt
MOEDE E. J. Route #1 Millard, Nebraska	1920	1943		Inactive
MOEHRING, RUDOLPH 2025 Tecumseh Manhattan, Kansas	1910	1910		Retired
MOELLER, PAUL Glenvil, Nebraska	1955	1955	NW	St. Paul's (Glenvil) Emmanuel (Hastings)
MOELLER, VICTOR Route #3 Pender, Nebraska	1927	1927	NE	St. Peter's Carl Otteman
MOELLER, WALTER H., D.D. 310 South 7th Street Salina, Kansas	1931	1931	SW	St. John's

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MONNICH, HENRY T. 1129 Tenth Avenue Sidney, Nebraska	1933	1933	NW	Holy Trinity
MORTENSEN, ERNEST C. Broadwater, Nebraska	1920	1920	NW	Messiah Paul Mortensen
MORTENSEN, LOYAL E. Rising City, Nebraska	1953	1953		First English
MOST, WILLIAM F. 4637 West 69th Terrace Prairie Village, Kansas	1931	1931	SE	Faith Kenneth A. Johnson
MOYER, FRANK S. Box 83, West Dodge Station Omaha, Nebraska	1957	1957		Chaplain Nebraska Lutheran Social Service
MURNAN, CHARLES B. 2513 South 38th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1958	1958	C	Pilgrim
NAUGLE, CALVIN J., D.D. 406 South Van Brunt Boulevard Kansas City, Missouri	1938	1937	SE	Children's Memorial
NELSON, JOHN ROBERT Box 747 Kuala Lumpur, Malaya	1955	1955		Missionary
NIEDENTHAL, MORRIS J. 15 Spring Valley Road Columbia, Missouri	1957	1957	SE	St. Andrew's Troy C. Newman
NIELSEN, LEO R. 609 West Grand Haysville, Kansas	1934	1951	SW	Mission Developer
NOLTE, FREDERICK C. Route #6 Lincoln, Nebraska	1947	1947	C	Zion
NOLTE, FREDERICK W., D.D. Syracuse, Nebraska	1917	1917		Retired
NUEBEL, CARL Bendena, Kansas	1958	1958	SE	St. John's
OLLENDORF, FRED Northboro, Iowa	1940	1940	C	St. Paul's
PEARSON, HENNING B. Ohiowa, Nebraska	1943	1943	C	Grace
PFEIFFER, RAYMOND R. Scribner, Nebraska	1929	1933	NE	United (Scribner) Lenard F. Suhr Immanuel (Snyder)
PIETZKO, VIKTOR R. 2278 W Street Lincoln, Nebraska	1917	1917		Retired

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PINKALL, ARTHUR H., D.D. 2315 I Street Omaha, Nebraska	1930	1930	C	St. Luke Harry Grimm
RATHKAMP, HUGO Auburn, Nebraska	1953	1958	C	St. Paul Walter Kuenning
RAUTENSTRAUSS, CHRISTIAN 6180 West 40th Avenue Wheatridge, Colorado	1910	1910		Retired
RHODE, HERMANN O. Darrouzett, Texas	1914	1914	S	St. Paul (Supply) Fred Stabel
RINDE, JOHN L. 2222 South Holland Springfield, Missouri	1956	1956	SE	Mission Developer
RITZEN, HEINZ, G. 7930 Oakwood Ralston, Nebraska	1941	1947	C	Messiah
RITZEN, RALPH L. 1420 North Madison Fremont, Nebraska	1947	1947		Midland College
RIZER, WILLIAM S. 4812 Marvin Road Kansas City, Missouri	1955	1956	SE	Bethlehem Dr. John W. Geiger
ROGGE, STANLEY C. 2225 Washington Lincoln, Nebraska	1956	1956	C	Grace
ROHLFING, EDWARD F. Homer, Nebraska	1935	1950	NE	St. Paul's (Homer) Trinity (Hubbard)
ROSEKE, DALE W. Stamford, Nebraska	1955	1955	NW	Trinity Mrs. Dale Roseke
ROWOLDT, PAUL Route #1 Mentor, Kansas	1955	1955	SW	St. Paul Martin E. Swanson
ROWOLDT, WALTER E. Pender, Nebraska	1942	1942	NE	St. Mark's
RUPLEY, JOHN B., D.D. Dalton, Nebraska	1916	1941	NW	Trinity
RUPLEY, KENDIG W. 6099 Western Omaha, Nebraska	1947	1947	C	Luther Memorial J. Adam Reinemund
SAAS, WILLIAM H. Columbus, Nebraska	1925	1952	NE	St. John's John L. V. Rickert
SAMUELSON, DAVID H. Waterville, Kansas	1954	1956	SW	St. Mark
SAUBERZWEIG, R. M., Th.D. Otoe, Nebraska	1927	1938	C	St. John's (Otoe) Syracuse

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SCHERF, ROYCE J. 407 Emerson Alliance, Nebraska	1954	1954	NW	St. John Clay C. Merrick
SCHLICHTER, ROBERT E. 301 South 12th Street Tekamah, Nebraska	1954	1954	NE	Emmanuel Charles Rosacker
SCHMIDT, ARTHUR E. Box 31 Cole Camp, Missouri	1927	1952	SE	United
SCHMITZ, CONRAD J. Adva, Bermudoz 5469 ROSARIO F C N C B M Prov. de Santa fe, Argentina	1954	1954		Missionary
SCHRICKER, RICHARD W. 801 North 17th Kansas City, Kansas	1955	1955	SE	Trinity Luther de Freese
SCHROEDER, DANIEL C. Emerson, Nebraska	1952	1952	NE	St. Paul's Geo. Schade
SCHROEDER, MARTIN G., JR. 120 West 7th Street Grand Island, Nebraska	1949	1949	NW	Messiah William Horst
SCHROEDER, MARTIN, SR., D.D. 2917 Cedar Avenue Lincoln, Nebraska	1917	1917		Retired
SCHROEDER, NORMAN E. Box 44 Lodge Pole, Nebraska	1948	1948	NW	Immanuel (Lodge Pole) Grace (Chappell)
SCHULDT, FREDERICK C., D.D. 340 West 5th Street Fremont, Nebraska	1906	1906		Retired
SCHULDT, THEODORE J. C., D.D. Oshkosh, Nebraska	1936	1936	NW	St. Mark (Oshkosh) Grace (Lewellen)
SCHNEIDER, CARL Linn, Kansas	1957	1957	SW	St. Paul Henry Fuhlman
SEARCH, GEORGE L. 901 South 5th Street Atchison, Kansas	1932	1932	SE	St. Mark's Ralph H. Martin
SENNESS, STANLEY D. Emerson, Nebraska	1957	1957	NE	St. Luke
SHAFT, JEARALD J. Schuyler, Nebraska	1957	1957	NE	St. John
SHIRCK, J. FRANKLIN 102 East 8th Ellis, Kansas	1945	1945	SW	Christ

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SHIRCK, JOHN K. 203 Lakeview Drive Lee's Summit, Missouri	1947	1958	SE	Martin Luther Edgar Lloyd Duncan
SHIRCK, ROBERT E., S.T.M. 120 West 4th Street Wayne, Nebraska	1945	1945	NE	St. Paul's Laverne Harder
SIMON, M. BLAINE Allen, Nebraska	1937	1947	NE	First
SINDAHL, HARVEY J. 604 West 10th Street Wellington, Kansas	1955	1955	SW	St. John
SLICE, JOHN N., S.T.M. 2207 11th Street Columbus, Nebraska	1937	1951	NE	Trinity Walter Gengenbach
SMITH, EUGENE Eureka, Kansas	1947	1947	SW	Christ M. A. Hubbell
SPATH, LEVON H. Simbron 3182 Buenos Aires Argentina, South America	1945	1945		Missionary
SPEER, OTTO P., JR. 2009 Oakway Colorado Springs, Colorado	1943	1943		Missionary
STRECKER, KENNETH Chapman, Kansas	1958	1958	SW	Scherer Memorial A. P. Sanborn
SUDMAN, DEAN 1000 Harmony Lane Route #4 - Box 303 Parkville, Missouri	1958	1958	SE	Mission Developer
SUHR, MARVIN 311 West 5th Street North Platte, Nebraska	1947	1955	NW	First Roy L. Johns
SWITZER, ERNEST W. Hildreth, Nebraska	1944	1943	NW	St. Peter's
TOSSING, ERNEST F., D.D. 105 North Courtland Topeka, Kansas	1936	1936	SE	First V. J. Rasmussen
TRAUB, WALTER H., D.D.,L.L.D. 2650 Farnam Street Omaha, Nebraska	1913	1931	C	Kountze Memorial Ernest F. Nelson
TRAWNY, HENRY D. Gurley, Nebraska	1938	1950	NW	Grace Burdette R. Schoen
TYCHSEN, THOMAS B. 1716 Almond Avenue Walnut Creek, California	1909	1946		Retired

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WAGNER, CARL G. 804 Arch Street Jerseyville, Illinois	1890	1920			Retired
WEITZENKAMP, LOUIS C. Leigh, Nebraska	1932	1946	C		St. John's
WELCHERT, HUGO H. F. 1705 South 60th Street Omaha, Nebraska	1938	1938	C		St. Matthew William Holstad
WENDT, EWALD 9722 San Vincente Avenue South Gate, California	1909	1912			Retired
WIEGMAN, PAUL C. Ponca, Nebraska	1940	1940	NE		Salem
WIENCKE, GUSTAV K., Th.D. 2900 Queen Lane Philadelphia 29, Pennsylvania	1938	1940			Board of Parish Education, ULCA
WOLFF, FREDERICK J. Board of Foreign Missions 231 Madison Avenue New York 16, New York	1952	1952			Missionary
WOLFF, LORIN J., D.D. Bennington, Nebraska	1934	1934	C		St. John's George Steinert
WOLFF, WALLACE J. Sheriff Street Campbellville, B.C.D. Britsh Guiana, South America	1941	1941			Missionary
WOOD, EDMUND G., D.D. Guntur District Andhra, India	1929	1929			Missionary
YOUNG, ALFRED W., D.D. 4823 Douglas Street Omaha, Nebraska	1924	1944			President of Synod
YOUNGERMAN, TED R. 406 South 9th Street Nebraska City, Nebraska	1954	1956	C		First
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FIRST SESSION

May 13, 1958 — 9:15 A.M.

The morning devotions of the Ninetieth Annual Convention of Synod were brought by the Convention Chaplain, the Rev. Raymond Johnson. The first message was on the working of God's Holy Spirit through us and the Church. The text was Acts 2, beginning with the first verse.

The installation service for the Assistant to the President, the Rev. Reno Frobenius, D.D., was conducted by the President, the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Vernon Hintermeyer reported the following on registration and attendance:

Pastors present—142 Delegates present—82 Visitors present—56

The Rev. Hugo Welchert, Chairman of the Committee on Reference and Counsel, recommended that the program be accepted with the following changes: The order for the Opening of Synod be placed at the close of the 2:30 P.M. Service of Holy Communion, and the Tuesday morning devotions be changed to 9:15.

Whereas the Executive Committee has recommended that all its members attend all sessions of the convention, and that they be reimbursed for expenses in connection with attendance at the convention, and that they be given the right of voice in the convention. Synod adopted the recommendation.

Pastor Robert Schlichter announced that material on Evangelism may be obtained from the secretarial room.

Elmer Sasse, Chairman of the Committee on Convention Travel, requested that cards for travel expense be returned to him immediately.

The report of the Committee on Congregational Interests was presented by the Rev. Walter Rowoldt.

COMMITTEE ON CONGREGATIONAL INTERESTS REPORT

May 9, 1958

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States

Your Committee on Congregational Interests respectfully submits the following report:

PART I—Concerning congregations seeking Synodical Membership:

The Constitution of St. Andrews Evangelical Lutheran Church, Columbia, Missouri, was received and studied. Except for minor changes the Constitution was found in good order and was approved.

The Constitution of St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church, Midwest City, Oklahoma, was received and studied and found in good order and was approved.

PART II—Constitutions of Synodical Congregations making revisions:

The Constitution of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Blue Hill, Nebraska, was submitted to this committee for review and recommendations. The committee recommended extensive changes to the Congregation and urged it to conform more to the

"Suggested Constitutions and By-Laws for Congregations in Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church."

Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran Church, Gretna, Nebraska, submitted its Constitution for study and approval. Except for minor changes and corrections this Constitution was approved.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Columbus, Nebraska, submitted its Constitution for review and approval. Except for minor additions and corrections this Constitution was approved.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Uehling, Nebraska, submitted its Constitution for review and approval. Closer conformity to certain sections of the Model Constitution was advised, and with several minor recommendations this Constitution was approved.

Signed,, Dr. W. W. Alexander
Mr. Wilfred Reigle (Rev.) Carl Empson, Sec.
Mr. Donald Schaefer (Rev.) Walter Rowoldt, Chm.

Report adopted.

The Rev. Louis de Freese presented the report of the Executive Committee regarding new congregations.

RECOMMEND: That St. Andrew's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Columbia, Missouri be received into membership of Synod upon approval of its Constitution by the Committee on Congregational Interests.

RECOMMEND: That United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Midwest City, Oklahoma be received into membership of Synod upon approval of its Constitution by the Committee on Congregational Interests.

President Young presented those pastors and delegates who were present from these congregations: St. Andrew's of Columbia, Missouri; St. Mark of Midwest City, Oklahoma; Redeemer of Hooper, Nebraska, which is the merger of Grace and Zion of Hooper; and St. Paul of Northboro, Iowa. A motion prevailed to receive these congregations.

The report of the secretary was received.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

As indicated in the Report of the Executive Committee, I was appointed to serve as Secretary Pro Tempore January 16, 1958, and served in that office at the January 16th, 1958 and March 10th, 1958 meetings.

The publication of the "preprint materials" has been the other major activity of this interim appointment.

Louis H. de Freese
Secretary Pro Tempore

A motion prevailed to adopt this report. The report of the treasurer was presented by Mr. Paul Palmquist.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD IN THE CENTRAL STATES

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the Period From January 13, 1957 Through January 10, 1958

Balance—January 13, 1957			$ 18,492.04
Receipts:			
Apportionment		$439,200.68	
Lutheran World Action		49,007.12	
Midland College:			
Appeal	$84,310.02		
Other	2,117.25	86,427.27	
Central Seminary		2,106.55	
Tabitha Home		5,566.59	
Nebraska Lutheran Social Service		3,810.77	
Lutheran Student Foundation		1,150.71	
Non-synodical		1,190.62	
Kent Memorial, Sunrise Beach, Mo.		1,032.89	
United Lutheran Church of America — specials		14,626.24	
Mission 10 Club — 1956		257.65	
Mission 10 Club — 1957		4,223.18	
Estate of August W. Augustin		12,257.56	
Estate of E. S. H. Nuswanger		3,000.00	
Home Missions:			
Loans from The United States National Bank	$34,050.00		
Loan from Board of American Missions	5,000.00		
Other	12,509.50	51,559.50	
Camp Wa Shun Ga—Balance of cash on hand at end of camp period		11,819.92	
Refund for survey expenses—see contra in disbursements		520.00	
Synod convention offering		131.45	
Miscellaneous		1,264.43	
Total receipts			689,153.13
Total			$707,645.17
Disbursements—As shown by Schedule 1			685,522.07
Balance—January 10, 1958			$ 22,123.10
Summary of Balance—January 10, 1958:			
On deposit—The United States National Bank			$ 22,103.10
Petty cash fund			20.00
TOTAL			$ 22,123.10

TREASURER'S REPORT

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Location of Church	APPORTIONMENT Quota	Paid	%	L. W. A. Quota	Paid	%	MIDLAND APPEAL Quota	Paid	%	SPECIALS Paid
ARKANSAS—										
Ft. Smith, St. Luke	$ 1,356.00	$ 300.00	22+	$ 132.00	$ ———	—	$ 621.00	$ ———	—	$ ———
Little Rock, United	———	264.09	—	———	47.00	—	———	25.00	—	———
IOWA—										
Northboro, St. Paul	1,276.00	1,077.82	84+	143.00	144.39	101—	594.00	391.75	34—	30.83
KANSAS—										
Abilene, Trinity	2,861.00	2,861.00	100	220.00	220.00	100	1,331.00	175.00	13+	———
Atchison, St. Mark	4,163.00	2,808.35	67+	465.00	278.85	60—	1,938.00	231.80	12—	158.56
Beloit, Zion	3,425.00	2,685.94	78+	363.00	343.71	95+	1,594.00	225.75	14+	77.75
Bendena, St. John	2,417.00	2,299.71	95+	270.00	273.00	101+	1,123.00	397.87	35+	———
Bethel, Prince of Peace	———	163.88	—	———	———	—	———	31.00	—	———
Chapman, Scherer	1,518.00	337.10	22+	170.00	18.00	10+	706.00	158.00	22+	25.00
Ellis, Christ	3,895.00	3,428.82	88+	435.00	216.00	50—	1,813.00	470.75	26—	51.28
Emporia, St. Mark	2,820.00	2,820.00	100	315.00	145.94	46+	1,313.00	115.10	9—	283.50
Eureka, Christ	1,867.00	1,939.42	103+	209.00	———	—	869.00	796.56	91+	———
Glasco, St. Paul	2,162.00	1,707.33	79—	242.00	242.00	100	1,006.00	306.74	31—	40.44
Great Bend, St. Mark	1,880.00	1,500.00	80—	210.00	210.00	100	875.00	73.90	8+	4.90
Greenleaf, Trinity	1,349.00	682.71	55—	140.00	36.10	26—	581.00	33.50	6—	———
Hanover, Zion	3,465.00	2,527.57	73—	387.00	202.34	52+	1,613.00	92.90	6—	126.10
Hays, Trinity	1,988.00	2,011.67	101+	222.00	311.12	140	925.00	693.53	75—	7.12
Haysville, Resurrection	———	133.31	—	———	———	—	———	6.00	—	———
Hoisington, Emmanuel	2,095.00	2,001.13	96—	234.00	258.54	110+	975.00	223.95	23—	32.47
Hollenberg, Redeemer	483.00	223.22	46+	54.00	65.00	120+	225.00	———	—	62.50
Home, Friedens	1,236.00	500.00	40+	138.00	———	—	575.00	34.50	6	109.00
Hutchinson, Zion	2,699.00	2,709.00	100+	302.00	302.00	100	1,256.00	20.00	1+	18.40
Kansas City, Trinity	2,699.00	2,699.47	100+	302.00	301.52	100—	1,256.00	1,256.25	100+	192.17
Lancaster, St. John	1,853.00	800.00	43+	207.00	33.04	16—	863.00	50.00	6—	49.75
Lawrence, Trinity	6,769.00	6,773.37	100+	756.00	756.00	100	3,150.00	3,248.50	103+	822.44
Linn, St. Paul	1,101.00	550.00	50—	123.00	125.00	100+	513.00	102.00	20—	17.00
Mentor, St. Paul	376.00	219.55	58+	42.00	———	—	175.00	2.50	1+	———
New Cambria, Peace	457.00	316.21	69+	51.00	.25	½—	213.00	41.25	19+	———
Norcatur, St. Mark	269.00	300.00	111+	30.00	———	—	125.00	125.00	100	———
Peabody, St. Paul	1,356.00	470.30	35—	152.00	137.49	91—	631.00	223.45	35+	———
Perth, St. James	215.00	139.60	65—	24.00	12.32	51+	100.00	50.08	50+	———
Prairie Village, Faith	4,298.00	5,175.00	120+	480.00	500.00	104+	2,000.00	2,500.00	125	316.28
Russell, St. John	9,361.00	9,361.00	100	1,046.00	1,156.40	111—	4,356.00	4,356.00	100	338.06
Russell, Trinity	1,316.00	903.05	68+	147.00	147.00	100	613.00	45.55	7+	———
Salina, St. Johns	8,421.00	8,424.00	100+	941.00	941.00	100	3,919.00	3,919.00	100	102.76
Topeka, First	4,016.00	4,016.00	100	449.00	449.50	100+	1,869.00	1,869.00	100	518.90
Valley Falls, St. Paul	1,303.00	1,303.00	100	146.00	146.00	100	606.00	96.13	16—	———

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Wakeeney, Zion	1,746.00	1,431.22	82—	195.00	195.00	100	813.00	650.25	80—	
Wakeeney, Bethlehem	2,256.00	1,713.59	76—	252.00	205.16	81+	1,050.00	364.10	35—	52.88
Washington, Good Shepherd	1,706.00	1,706.00	100	191.00	100.00	52+	794.00			
Waterville, St. Mark	2,364.00	2,364.00	100	264.00	264.00	100	1,100.00	335.66	30+	57.64
Wellington, St. John	900.00	905.15	100+	101.00	110.00	109—	419.00	50.00	12—	
Wichita, Reformation	2,646.00	2,646.00	100	296.00			1,231.00			
Wichita, St. Paul	8,112.00	8,112.44	100+	906.00	906.00	100	3,775.00	3,775.00	100	266.96
Wilson, Excelsior	564.00	493.37	87+	63.00	68.45	108+	263.00	176.65	67+	64.84
MISSOURI—										
Columbia, St. Andrews		38.00								
Cole Camp, United	1,276.00	1,276.80	100+	143.00	164.90	115+	594.00	283.75	48—	26.25
Kansas City, Bethlehem	2,686.00	2,686.00	100	300.00	310.00	103+	1,250.00	568.55	45+	26.32
Kansas City, Children's	3,653.00	4,000.00	109+	408.00	489.24	120—	1,700.00	1,700.00	100	50.00
Kansas City, Reformation	1,074.00	75.00	7—	120.00			500.00			
Kansas City, St. Mark	7,400.00	7,400.00	100	827.00	827.00	100	3,444.00	640.90	18+	1,899.00
Langdon, St. Peter	1,303.00	1,316.03	101	146.00	147.46	101	606.00	612.06	101	470.60
Lee's Summit, Martin Luther	819.00	7.92	1—	92.00			381.00	10.00	2+	
Raytown, Trinity	1,343.00	789.67	58+	150.00	60.76	40+	625.00	364.44	58+	27.37
Rock Port, First	3,626.00	3,626.00	100	405.00	405.00	100	1,688.00	1,041.60	62—	193.57
St. Joseph, First	7,736.00	7,736.00	100	864.00	864.00	100	3,600.00	2,010.00	56—	145.00
Sedalia, Trinity	1,746.00	786.50	45+	195.00	115.00	59—	813.00	232.00	29—	5.00
Springfield, Messiah		306.25			5.00			100.00		61.73
Sunrise Beach, Kent	846.00	927.70	110—	95.00	98.05	103+	394.00	222.21	56+	25.00
Westboro, St. John	3,358.00	2,775.00	83—	375.00	375.00	100	1,563.00	350.00	22+	310.70
NEBRASKA—										
Allen, First	1,786.00	820.00	46—	200.00	103.36	52—	831.00	41.00	5—	9.53
Alliance, St. John	3,263.00	2,735.81	84—	365.00	240.22	66—	1,519.00	89.75	6—	
Ames, Resurrection	537.00			60.00			250.00			
Auburn, St. John	2,619.00	1,830.00	70—	293.00	202.00	69—	1,219.00	468.00	38+	105.50
Auburn, St. Paul	5,385.00	718.00	13+	602.00	112.90	19—	2,506.00	181.80	7+	89.68
Beatrice, Trinity	1,719.00	1,720.00	100+	192.00	195.00	100+	800.00	214.00	27—	136.00
Bellevue, Immanuel	1,907.00	1,907.00	100	213.00	113.07	53+	888.00	318.30	36—	47.50
Benedict, Zion	1,612.00	629.00	39	180.00			750.00	13.00	2—	68.53
Bennington, St. John	6,305.00	3,801.39	61+	693.00	692.99	100	2,888.00	176.50	6+	106.00
Bloomfield, St. Mark	5,573.00	3,575.00	64+	623.00	400.00	64+	2,594.00	247.20	10—	320.98
Blue Hill, St. Paul	1,974.00	1,554.18	79—	221.00	49.94	23—	919.00	52.65	6—	118.76
Broadwater, Messiah	1,262.00	1,262.00	100	141.00	141.00	100	588.00	191.15	32+	29.25
Broken Bow, Our Saviour	779.00	25.00	3+	87.00			363.00			
Chappell, Grace	618.00	111.02	18	69.00			288.00	201.50	70—	
Columbus, St. John	3,210.00	2,114.05	66—	359.00	364.00	101+	1,494.00	79.25	5+	297.57
Columbus, United	1,236.00	672.40	54+	138.00	80.77	58+	575.00	59.30	10+	26.00
Columbus, Trinity	7,346.00	5,885.26	80+	821.00	434.00	53—	3,419.00	558.50	16+	380.00
Creston, St. Peter	2,028.00	1,023.61	50+	227.00	2.50	1+	944.00			52.50
Dakota City, Salem	3,233.00	3,199.93	99+	360.00	330.00	92—	1,500.00	461.32	31—	546.18
Dalton, Trinity	1,968.00	1,412.34	71+	222.00	225.00	100+	925.00	103.00	11+	55.50
Davenport, Christ	2,955.00	1,850.00	62+	330.00	68.84	21—	1,375.00	211.45	15+	9.00

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Diller, St. Paul	2,169.00	725.00	33—	354.00	194.56	55—	1,475.00	191.08	13—	67.53
Diller, Zion	940.00	445.51	47+	105.00	45.18	43+	438.00	———	—	———
Eagle, Trinity	295.00	10.00	3+	33.00	30.00	91—	138.00	———	—	———
Emerson, St. Luke	2,767.00	2,194.75	79+	309.00	324.00	105—	1,288.00	6.75	½+	287.00
Emerson, St. Paul	2,673.00	1,820.00	68+	299.00	299.00	100	1,244.00	894.72	72—	145.00
Falls City, St. Paul	6,070.00	3,995.00	66—	678.00	659.00	97+	2,825.00	644.00	23—	150.00
Falls City, St. Peter	1,088.00	800.00	74—	122.00	122.00	100	506.00	250.00	49+	———
Fontanelle, Salem	2,337.00	2,145.70	92—	261.00	221.80	85—	1,088.80	297.32	27+	2,285.67
Fremont, Salem	13,712.00	13,712.00	100	1,532.00	943.52	61+	6,381.00	2,923.63	46—	550.88
Glenvil, St. Paul	1,209.00	1,209.00	100	135.00	135.00	100	563.00	353.46	63—	144.14
Gothenburg, Zion	1,853.00	1,543.53	83+	207.00	72.00	35—	863.00	159.35	18+	116.00
Grand Island, Messiah	7,763.00	4,287.00	55+	867.00	649.00	75—	3,613.00	1,851.00	51+	364.00
Grand Island, St. Paul	23,999.00	13,601.34	57—	2,681.00	1,312.90	49—	11,169.00	446.55	4—	310.25
Gretna, Resurrection	3,760.00	2,237.32	59+	420.00	420.00	100	1,750.00	512.00	29+	70.00
Gurley, Grace	1,612.00	1,612.00	100	180.00	180.00	100	750.00	750.00	100	———
Hampton, Emmanuel	886.00	886.00	100	99.00	104.00	105	413.00	248.00	60	———
Hardy, St. Paul	927.00	562.00	60+	104.00	———	—	431.00	21.00	5—	6.75
Hastings, Emmanuel	1,048.00	1,048.00	100	117.00	117.00	100	488.00	488.00	100	194.00
Hastings, First St. Paul	14,410.00	11,444.62	79+	1,610.00	750.00	46+	6,706.00	1,250.00	19—	1,819.74
Hastings, St. Paul	1,289.00	1,289.00	100	144.00	144.00	100	600.00	196.54	33—	12.60
Hildreth, St. Peter	4,136.00	1,984.12	48—	462.00	368.64	80—	1,925.00	96.50	5+	180.25
Homer, St. Paul	2,082.00	1,832.00	88	233.00	233.00	100	969.00	136.97	14+	163.47
Hooper, Grace	4,392.00	3,416.53	78—	491.00	335.39	68+	2,044.00	———	—	111.45
Hooper, St. Paul	3,895.00	3,781.15	97	435.00	263.75	60+	1,813.00	332.84	18+	94.00
Hooper, Zion	2,995.00	2,301.77	77—	335.00	281.65	84—	1,394.00	332.00	24—	281.94
Hubbard, Trinity	1,128.00	202.00	18—	126.00	20.00	16—	525.00	———	—	5.00
Johnson, St. Matthew	2,673.00	1,407.15	52+	299.00	218.70	73+	1,244.00	94.40	7+	105.50
Lanham, St. John	1,531.00	1,399.03	91+	171.00	146.81	86—	713.00	142.34	20—	33.71
Leigh, St. John	2,511.00	1,472.00	58+	281.00	70.00	25—	1,169.00	265.00	23—	152.00
Leigh, St. Paul	1,544.00	900.66	58+	173.00	———	—	719.00	———	—	14.00
Lewellen, Grace	1,209.00	809.65	67+	135.00	158.32	117+	563.00	42.00	7+	58.30
Lincoln, Friedens	7,266.00	4,565.00	63—	812.00	350.00	43+	3,381.00	1,235.00	37—	400.00
Lincoln, Grace	12,100.00	12,100.00	100	1,352.00	1,495.00	111—	5,631.00	5,631.00	100	1,342.00
Lincoln, Latvian	3,774.00	200.00	5+	422.00	———	—	1,756.00	———	—	———
Lincoln, St. John	725.00	———	—	81.00	———	—	338.00	———	—	———
Lincoln, United	2,297.00	2,297.00	100	257.00	337.00	131+	1,069.00	86.00	8	88.00
Lincoln, Zion	1,826.00	1,692.32	93—	204.00	238.86	117+	850.00	679.41	80—	52.44
Lindy, Good Shepherd	712.00	652.08	92—	80.00	130.58	163+	331.00	238.00	72—	23.77
Lodge Pole, Immanuel	1,370.00	1,370.04	100+	153.00	153.00	100	638.00	637.92	100—	8.52
Louisville, Christ	1,679.00	1,549.59	92+	188.00	188.00	100	781.00	296.50	38—	———
Madison, Immanuel	1,048.00	290.14	28—	117.00	60.65	52—	488.00	22.25	5—	47.05
McCool Junction, First	1,477.00	798.00	54	165.00	161.15	98—	688.00	———	—	60.50
Nebraska City, First	3,922.00	2,400.00	61+	438.00	45.00	10+	1,825.00	12.00	½+	14.75
Niobrara, Niobrara	1,249.00	1,116.55	89+	140.00	140.30	100+	581.00	———	—	37.63
Norfolk, St. John	4,042.00	4,042.00	100	452.00	452.00	100	1,881.00	998.52	53+	121.85
North Bend, St. Matthew	752.00	———	—	84.00	———	—	350.00	14.80	4+	———
North Platte, First	14,585.00	14,585.00	100	1,629.00	1,639.00	101—	6,788.00	3,188.00	47—	432.20

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Ohiowa, Grace	1,236.00	262.00	21+	138.00	82.00	59+	575.00	75.00	13+	10.00
Ohiowa, St. John	2,887.00	1,645.84	57	323.00	190.50	59—	1,344.00	256.70	19+	28.26
Omaha, First	7,239.00	3,666.17	50+	809.00			3,369.00			
Omaha, Grace	4,606.00	3,841.00	83+	515.00	280.00	54+	2,144.00	520.00	24+	75.00
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	28,068.80	28,068.80	100	3,135.00	1,920.00	61+	13,063.00	5,139.47	39+	2,302.00
Omaha, Luther Memorial	4,351.00	5,221.00	120	486.00	583.00	120—	2,025.00	386.00	19+	150.00
Omaha, Morning Star	672.00	672.00	100	75.00	75.00	100	313.00	313.00	100	
Omaha, Our Redeemer	9,576.00	7,805.16	81+	1,070.00	1,127.64	105+	4,456.00	587.89	13+	144.01
Omaha, Pilgrim	2,417.00	357.96	15—	270.00			1,125.00	66.10	6—	
Omaha, St. Luke	10,341.00	10,141.00	98	1,155.00	1,205.00	104+	4,813.00	1,165.00	24+	84.00
Omaha, St. Matthew	1,786.00	1,815.00	101+	200.00	200.00	100	831.00	831.00	100	55.00
Oshkosh, St. Mark	1,330.00	848.88	64—	149.00	149.00	100	619.00	5.20	1—	41.85
Otoe, St. John	1,612.00	550.00	34+	180.00	185.00	100—	750.00	75.00	10	
Papillion, Trinity	4,042.00	2,945.73	73—	452.00	112.37	25—	1,881.00	210.90	12—	
Paxton, Trinity	2,793.00	2,723.55	98—	312.00	390.00	125	1,300.00	652.00	50+	90.00
Pender, St. Mark	6,849.00	1,119.00	16+	765.00	779.00	102—	3,188.00			4,060.35
Pender, St. Peter	1,961.00	726.74	37+	219.00	234.35	107	913.00	63.02	69	105.41
Pierce, Christ	1,813.00	1,035.00	57+	203.00	210.00	103+	844.00	57.25	7—	18.90
Pilger, St. Peter	2,861.00	1,093.18	38+	320.00	226.91	71—	1,331.00	141.77	10+	10.20
Platte Center, Zion	1,142.00	942.00	82+	128.00	116.00	91—	531.00	114.00	21+	175.00
Polk, Trinity	725.00	331.00	45+	81.00			337.00			
Ponca, Salem	3,586.00	2,980.00	83+	128.00	401.00	313+	531.00	250.00	47+	
Potter, First	1,679.00	839.50	50	188.00	188.00	100	781.00	502.65	64+	
Ralston, Messiah	725.00	586.84	81—	81.00	81.00	100	337.00	175.62	52+	
Rising City, First	2,391.00	1,504.87	63—	267.00	287.80	108—	1,113.00	82.50	74+	8.00
Schuyler, St. John	2,579.00	1,278.16	50—	288.00	288.00	100	1,200.00	120.00	10	
Scribner, St. John Ridgely	2,176.00	1,700.00	78+	243.00	204.00	84—	1,013.00	165.75	16+	
Scribner, St. John	2,001.00	1,740.00	87—	224.00	227.00	101+	931.00	592.00	64—	160.00
Scribner, United	2,699.00	1,404.86	52	302.00	112.50	37+	1,256.00	260.50	21—	200.25
Sidney, Holy Trinity	4,432.00	1,806.75	41—	495.00	448.96	91—	2,063.00	25.00	1+	
South Sioux City, First	6,312.00	6,312.00	100	705.00	705.00	100	2,938.00	437.00	15—	238.92
Snyder, Immanuel	696.00	700.00	100+	78.00	78.00	100	325.00	145.00	45—	5.00
Spencer, United	1,450.00	950.00	6+	162.00	50.00	31—	675.00	350.00	53—	
Stanford, Trinity	1,638.00	1,638.00	100	183.00	210.00	115—	763.00	207.89	27+	226.27
Stanton, St. Luke	980.00	165.47	17—	110.00			456.00	14.50	3+	
Stella, Trinity	142.00	142.00	100	17.00			69.00	11.00	16—	5.00
Sterling, St. John	1,276.00	894.94	70+	143.00	98.20	68+	594.00	139.95	24—	89.95
Superior, United		25.00								
Sutherland, Grace	694.00	694.00	100	68.00	68.00	100	281.00	100.00	36—	
Sutton, Zion	1,276.00	491.55	38+	143.00			594.00	59.00	10—	10.50
Syracuse, First	403.00	253.43	63—	45.00	45.00	100	188.00	25.42	13+	
Tekamah, Emmanuel	2,471.00	2,477.20	100+	276.00	280.61	101+	1,150.00	140.00	12+	41.05
Uehling, St. Paul	980.00	875.00	89+	110.00	54.00	49+	456.00	179.00	39+	
Vacuna, St. John	322.00	104.00	31—	36.00	36.00	100	150.00			
Valley, St. Mark	1,276.00	272.93	21+	143.00			594.00	2.00	3+	3.00
Verdon, St. Mark	1,947.00	1,180.20	60+	216.00	172.07	79—	906.00	60.25	7+	21.42
Walton, Grace	672.00	424.75	63+	75.00	75.00	100	313.00			

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Wayne, Redeemer	6,943.00	3,285.00	47+	776.00	758.16	98—	3,231.00	—	—	50.50
Wayne, St. Paul	5,438.00	1,748.00	32+	608.00	48.00	8+	2,531.00	101.05	4—	—
West Point, Grace	7,318.00	5,100.00	69+	818.00	818.00	100	3,406.00	1,500.00	44+	10.00
Wilbur, First	2,847.00	849.47	30—	318.00	41.36	13—	1,325.00	39.75	3	—
Winside, Trinity	2,109.00	1,487.30	70—	236.00	236.00	100	981.00	143.58	14+	42.60
Wisner, Christ	3,008.00	1,750.00	58+	336.00	336.00	100	1,400.00	395.00	28+	302.00
Wolbach, Trinity	2,914.00	142.50	5—	326.00	326.00	100	1,356.00	13.00	1—	144.30
York, First	1,746.00	1,751.00	100+	195.00	153.00	78+	813.00	—	—	95.10
Yutan, St. John	4,606.00	3,375.59	73+	515.00	382.36	74+	2,144.00	329.45	15+	—
OKLAHOMA—										
Durant, Our Saviour	—	78.00	—	—	9.00	—	—	10.50	—	5.00
Oklahoma City, First	4,687.00	1,349.50	29—	524.00	148.79	28+	2,181.00	—	—	664.22
Midwest City, United	—	177.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Perry, Zion	2,015.00	1,731.00	86—	225.00	225.00	100	938.00	148.70	16—	—
Stillwater, Salem	1,464.00	1,464.00	100	164.00	175.00	107—	681.00	150.00	22	35.00
Tulsa, Ascension	873.00	873.00	100	98.00	121.86	124+	406.00	328.00	81—	—
Tulsa, First	6,205.00	5,698.00	92—	693.00	638.00	92+	2,888.00	472.35	16+	—
SOUTH DAKOTA—										
Tea, Trinity	1,786.00	140.60	8—	200.00	218.25*	109+	831.00	61.59	7+	33.27
TEXAS—										
Darrouzett, St. Paul	967.00	718.92	74+	108.00	130.00	120+	450.00	—	—	30.50
Lipscomb, St. John	1,276.00	1,005.56	79—	143.00	—	—	594.00	60.00	10+	75.00
Miscellaneous		35.00			269.45			433.50		85.00
TOTALS		$439,200.68			$49,007.12			$84,310.02		$29,650.31

MEMO—To correct error in 1956 Annual Treasurer's Report as to St. John's Ridgely Church, Scribner, Nebraska—1956 Report corrected to read: Apportionment $1,633.00—L. W. A. $212.00. St. John's Church, Scribner, Nebraska—Report corrected to read: Apportionment $1,696.00—L. W. A. $215.00.

MEMO—First Church, Tulsa, 1956 Treasurer's Report shows 112% on Apportionment and 111% on L. W. A. They state payment sent January 7th, 1957 was for 1957. (Synod Treasurer's Record closed January 12, 1957.) 1956 should have been 100% Apportionment and 100% L. W. A. 1957 record will be less than 100%.

TOTAL APPORTIONMENT—GOAL	$538,380.00	PAID	$439,200.68	81½%
TOTAL L. W. A.—GOAL	63,087.00	PAID	49,007.12	77+%
TOTAL MIDLAND APPEAL—GOAL	250,000.00	PAID	84,310.02	33 %
TOTAL SPECIALS		PAID	29,650.31	
		TOTAL PAID	$602,168.13	

P. H. PALMQUIST, Treasurer.

Schedule 1

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD IN THE CENTRAL STATES

Cash Disbursements for the Period from January 13, 1957 Through January 10, 1958

United Lutheran Church of America:				
Apportionment			$216,243.12	
Specials			14,265.30	
Lutheran World Action:				
Payments as authorized		$48,907.12		
Overpymt. to be refunded		1,400.00	50,307.12	$280,815.54
Tabitha Home:				
Apportionment			$ 11,200.00	
Specials			5,566.59	16,766.59
Midland College:				
Apportionment			$ 77,440.00	
Specials			2,110.25	
Appeal:				
Direct		$68,479.40		
Synod exp.	$14,937.36			
Synod clerical exp. allocated	975.00	15,912.36	84,391.76	163,942.01
Central Seminary:				
Apportionment			$ 23,846.40	
Specials			2,106.55	25,952.95
Nebraska Lutheran Social Service:				
Apportionment			$ 2,000.00	
Specials			3,810.77	5,810.77
Lutheran Student Foundation, Nebraska:				
Apportionment			$ 3,222.00	
Specials			3,874.50	7,096.50
Lutheran Student Foundation, Kansas—Apportionment				420.00
Home Missions:				
Travel allowances and adm.		$11,478.43		
Alloted from Synod headquarters		1,441.25	$ 12,919.68	
Payments on notes to bank			20,600.00	
Other			31,255.82	64,775.50
Ministerial Education				4,845.40
Boards and Committees—travel and miscellaneous				7,758.18

Executive officers' expense:		
Salaries and rent allowances	$ 15,968.62	
Travel	8,723.22	
Moving expense	701.20	25,393.04
Office salaries	$ 5,232.50	
Less allocated to Home Missions	1,441.25	3,791.25
Office supplies and expense	$ 13,994.57	
Less allocation of clerical to Midland Col.	975.00	13,019.57
Camp Wa Shun Ga:		
Loans	$ 8,000.00	
Other	4,276.29	12,276.29
Mortgage payments—church house		2,400.00
Board of pensions		609.93
Director of Internal Revenue—social security and income tax withheld		1,818.75
Repairs, painting and miscellaneous—church house		3,370.30
Furniture and fixtures		280.20
Central Lutheran		9,251.96
Archivist expense		668.22
Kent Memorial, Sunrise Beach, Missouri		1,006.87
Mission 10 Club — 1957		176.69
Synodical relief		630.00
Publication of minutes and bulletins		2,745.84
Auditing		375.00
Survey expenses to be refunded by Board of American Missions—see contra in receipts		520.00
Non-synodical		1,108.25
Stewardship		3,361.53
1957 Synod convention		4,765.14
Miscellaneous		1,628.69
		$687,380.96
Less pensions, withholding taxes, and social security taxes withheld from salaries		1,858.89
TOTAL		$685,522.07

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD IN THE CENTRAL STATES

Balance Sheet, January 10, 1958

(Prepared from the General Records of the Synod Without Audit)

ASSETS

Cash:		
On deposit	$ 22,103.10	
Office fund	20.00	
Total cash on hand and on deposit		$ 22,123.10
Receivables:		
Durant, Oklahoma, Mission	$ 216.61	
42nd and Bancroft, Mission	1,102.60	
Haysville, Kansas, Mission	4,309.17	
Kansas City, Missouri, Mission	1,735.05	
Latvian, Lincoln, Nebraska	1,018.00	
Lutheran World Action	1,400.00	
Little Rock, Arkansas, Mission	528.85	
Midwest City, Oklahoma, Mission	724.10	
Southwest Mission, Omaha, Nebraska	1,821.44	
Trinity Lutheran, Polk, Nebraska (includes $6,000.00 contra to note payable)	8,000.00	
Ralston, Nebraska, Mission	1,754.66	
Sedalia, Missouri, Church	264.38	
St. Johns, Lincoln, Nebraska (see contra in liabilities)	2,000.00	
St. Mathews, Omaha, Nebraska	2,000.00	
Springfield, Missouri, Mission	5,561.68	
Valentine, Nebraska, Mission	3,189.32	
Total receivables		36,625.86
Property and Equipment:		
Church house—4823 Douglas St., Omaha	$ 29,000.00	
Improvements to church house	4,332.27	
Furniture and fixtures	8,638.41	
Swimming pool—Camp Wa Shun Ga	41,264.60	
Total property and equipment		83,235.28
TOTAL		$141,984.24

NOTE A—The Synod is indebted to the United States National Bank, Omaha, Nebraska, in the amount of $20,750.00 not shown above for funds borrowed for various mission projects which have been approved by the Board of American Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America. These loans will ultimately be paid by the Board of American Missions and the Synod will be released from all liability thereunder without payment.

LIABILITIES

Notes Payable:		
The United States National Bank—unsecured:		
Camp Wa Shun Ga construction (payable $4,000.00 annually)	$ 28,000.00	

Trinity Lutheran, Polk, Nebraska (see contra in receivable)		6,000.00	
St. Johns, Lincoln, Nebraska (see contra in receivable)		3,000.00	
Total notes payable (see Note A)			$ 37,000.00
Accounts Payable:			
Midland appeal		$ 2,400.00	
Mission 10 — 1957		4,046.49	
Estate of E. S. H. Nuswanger		3,000.00	
Other accounts payable		879.05	
Total accounts payable			10,325.54
Mortgage Note Payable—Omaha Loan and Building Association secured by first mortgage on church house and payable $200.00 monthly			12,517.70
Net Worth:			
Estate of Anna Heubeck Revolving Fund		$ 12,030.93	
Estate of Alfred W. Augustin		8,887.26	
Midwest Synod Revolving Fund		4,311.85	
Home Mission Extension Fund		1,513.98	
Home Mission Fund		2,000.00	
St. Marks Fund, Omaha		9,523.44	
Convention Fund		4,806.96	
Church house account		16,482.30	
Camp Wa Shun Ga:			
Paid-in equity	$13,264.60		
Camp surplus	9,319.68	22,584.28	
Total net worth			82,141.00
TOTAL			$141,984.24

NOTE B—The Synod was contingently liable to Omaha Loan and Building Association at January 10, 1958 on a mortgage amounting to $7,366.94 against property at 2513 South 38th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

A motion prevailed to accept the report.

A motion to adopt the auditor's statement carried.

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

HASKINS & SELLS
Certified Public Accountants
912 First National Bank Building
OMAHA 2

March 12, 1958

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod
in the Central States
Omaha, Nebraska
Dear Sirs:

We have examined the statement of cash receipts and disbursements of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central

States for the period from January 13, 1957 through January 10, 1958. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of cash receipts and disbursements presents fairly the recorded transactions of the Synod for the period from January 13, 1957 through January 10, 1958.

Submitted in Exhibit B of this report is a balance sheet of the Synod as of January 10, 1958. In accordance with the terms of our engagement, this balance sheet is presented as shown on the records and has not been audited by us. For this reason, we do not express an opinion on the over-all fairness of the balance sheet.

Yours truly,
Haskins & Sells

The election of a treasurer. Mr. Paul Palmquist was nominated as treasurer of Synod. A motion prevailed to close the nominations for treasurer. Motion prevailed to instruct the secretary to cast the unanimous ballot for Mr. Paul Palmquist as treasurer. The ballot was cast by the secretary.

Copies for the proposed amendments to the By-Laws were distributed and two were read for the first time.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

RECOMMEND that Section VII, Paragraph 8, be amended by the addition of "elective," or between "standing" and "committee."

The By-Law would then read:

8. No member except the president shall serve on more than one standing, elective, or committee.

RECOMMEND that Section X, Paragraph 3, be amended by striking the words, "one week" in line 4, and inserting the words "three weeks."

The By-Law would then read:

3. The secretary of Synod shall mail one copy of the convention bulletin to each minister together with one additional copy for the use of the lay delegate of each congregation, at least three weeks prior to the regular convention of Synod.

RECOMMEND that Section XII, Paragraph 3, be amended with the following preface: "Each conference shall nominate one clergyman and one layman as a delegate to the ULCA Convention. These names shall be printed on a ballot and designated as conference nominees." Also, add the words "other than noted in paragraphs 1 and 2," between "alternates" and "shall."

The By-Law would then read:

3. Each conference shall nominate one clergyman and one layman as a delegate to the ULCA Convention. These names shall be printed on a ballot and designated as conference nominees. All other delegates and alternates other than noted in paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be elected by ballot.

Oral nominations may be made for lay delegates and alternate lay delegates.

Pastor Vernon Jacobs proposed the following amendment to Section XII, Paragraph 3: Move to amend the proposed amendment by adding after the word convention, "And one clergyman and one layman to serve as alternate delegates to the United Lutheran Church Convention. These alternates shall serve only as alternates for the primary delegates nominated by the Conferences." Motion lost.

Motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation that Section XII, Paragraph 3 read: Each conference shall nominate one clergyman and one layman as a delegate to the ULCA Convention. These names shall be printed on a ballot and designated as conference nominees. All other delegates and alternates other than noted in paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be elected by ballot. Oral nominations may be made for lay delegates and alternate lay delegates.

The first ballot was cast for secretary.

Motion prevailed for bounds of Synod to be the entire Nave, with the exception of the last four pews on both sides.

The ballots were declared closed for secretary.

The report of the Statistician was presented by Mr. Charles A. Harkness, Jr. Supplementary material was distributed.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

The Parochial Report for the year ending December 31, 1957 shows the following comparisons with that for the year 1956:

	1957	1956	Inc.	Dec.
Baptized Members	88,302	86,904	1,398	
Confirmed Members	60,609	59,745	864	
Communing Members	43,225	42,818	407	
Sunday School Staff	3,632	3,533	99	
In Sunday School	25,530	24,881	649	
VCS Staff Members	1,996	1,846	150	
VCS Pupils	11,770	11,201	569	
Catechumens	3,654	3,581	73	
Total Valuation	$14,751,283	$14,608,919	$682,364	
Indebtedness	1,817,703	1,856,926		$ 39,223
Current Expenses	1,607,737	1,537,267	70,470	
Unusual Expenses	873,313	1,237,363		364,050
Total Local Exp.	2,481,050	2,774,630		293,580
Unapport. Benev.	241,288	234,877	6,411	
Apport. Benev. paid	438,044	446,916		8,872
Total Benevolences	679,332	681,793		2,461
Total Expenditures	3,160,382	3,456,423		296,041

As of December 31, 1957 there were 187 congregations on the roll of Synod, 183 of which were synodical and four non-synodical. One congregation was added to the roll: Bethel, Prince of Peace. There were six unorganized mission congregations. There were 206

ministers on the roll of Synod, 138 of whom were serving congregations on the roll.

The Synod showed a gain for the year of 1.61% in baptized membership, 1.45% in confirmed membership, but again the communing membership showed a lag behind the other categories in registering a gain of only 0.95%. Gains in communing membership were shown by 91 congregations and losses by 80. The congregations reporting the largest increases numerically were Omaha, Luther Memorial, with 155 and Russell, St. John's, with 143, and proportionately were Omaha, Morning Star, with 52.4% and Omaha, St. Matthew, with 42.5%. The congregations reporting the largest decreases were numerically Fremont, Salem with 102 and Bennington, St. John with 98, and proportionately New Cambria, Peace with 33% and Papillion, Trinity with 30.1%. The percentage of confirmed members communing was 71.3% compared to 71.7% in 1956 and 73.4% in 1955. The per capita expenditure based on communing membership was $73.21, $57.49 of which went for local purposes and $15.72 for benevolences. The comparable figures for the previous year were $80.71, $64.80 and $15.91 respectively. The apportionment contribution was 81.5% of the goal compared to 85.7% for 1956. An additional contribution of only $2.29 for the year or less than five cents per week by each communing member would have met the goal. Fifty-three congregations met the goal in full or in excess.

Reports were received from all congregations for the third consecutive year but again as in the past too many were slow in reporting. First reports were received from Fort Smith, St. Luke, Rev. Chesmond Bade on January 4 and Auburn, St. John, Rev. Leo S. La Fontaine on January 7 showing that it can be done. The last report was received on March 7 by telephone. The cooperation of the pastors and secretaries of the congregations and of Dr. Alfred W. Young and Dr. Reno R. Frobenius has been much appreciated.

Respectfully,
Chas. A. Harkness, Jr.

Motion prevailed to adopt the report.

Motion prevailed that words of commendation and appreciation in regard to the Statistician be included in the minutes.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel recommended the following change: The Ministerium and Conference of Lay Delegates be held at 2 P.M., Tuesday. Adopted.

The Rev. Vernon Jacobs introduced the following to the convention: The Rev. Dwight F. Putman, D.D., President of the Central Pennsylvania Synod and member of the Executive Board of the ULCA; and Missionaries Louis H. Le'Heureux, Levon Spath and Dennis Koch; also Dr. Nils Bendtz, John Bozman, John Berger, and the Rev. George Berkheimer, D.D.

Greetings to the Synod were read from the following synods: Michigan, Pacific Southwest, and Indiana.

The following recommendation was presented: We recommend the adoption of the following amendment to the By-Laws of the

Constitution, Section VII, Paragraph 8: "No elected member of the Board or an employee of an institution supported by the Central States Synod shall be eligible for membership on the Executive Committee of Synod."

A motion was made to refer this amendment to the Executive Committee for study, and report back to the next convention. Motion lost.

Recommendation to adopt the amendment to the By-Laws of the Constitution, Section VII, Paragraph 8. Motion lost.

There was no election on the first ballot for secretary.

The second ballot was cast for secretary.

Motion prevailed that if there is no election on the second ballot, that the ballot be limited to the three highest on the third ballot. Ballots declared closed on the second ballot for secretary.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel recommended that the Lutheran World Action Report be changed to this session, along with the report on Lutheran Refugee Service; that the Ministerium and Conference Lay Delegates be from 2-2:30; that the Rev. Berkheimer speak immediately following Dr. Putman. Motion to adopt this change in the program carried.

Dr. Martin Schroeder, Sr. presented the following report:

REPORT ON NEBRASKA LUTHERAN REFUGEE SERVICE

The Nebraska Lutheran Refugee Service is now history. By action of the National Lutheran Council and the Lutheran Church —Missouri Synod, all area committees have been dissolved, as the expiration of the basic Refugee Relief Act of 1953 requires no longer such a program. At the same time the NLC Division of Welfare has inaugurated a "Service to Immigrants" effective as of January 1, 1958.

Under the previous Displaced Persons Program of 1948, the recent Refugee Relief Program of 1953, and the Hungarian Program a total of 57,102 persons had arrived up to the end of 1957. This represents on the part of the Church a great mission of love and mercy toward the homeless from war-torn lands. Into the State of Nebraska, all told, have come during the recent program, according to the final Government report, a total of 541 persons of which 370 came through the Lutheran Refugee Service.

The vast majority of newcomers found their eventual location in the industrial East, in California and the Northwest, and in the Great Lakes metropolitan areas. By comparison with other states of the Great Plains the Lutheran Churches of Nebraska have rendered a distinguished service.

Dr. Henry J. Whiting, chairman of the Lutheran Refugee Service writes in connection with the future of service to immigrants, "We shall continue to look to congregations and pastors for their vital roles of receiving our brethren from overseas into the fellowship of their congregations . . . Our Lutheran health and welfare agencies will make available their services for these new brethren as they are presently doing for those of the household of faith who were born in this country."

The executive board of your committee held two more meetings in 1958, the last on March 3, for the purpose of making final disposition of its obligation in accordance with instructions from the national headquarters. All files have been ordered to be destroyed, since all needed information is also in their hands. Their location has been moved to 15 East 26th Street, New York 10, N. Y., where they can now be reached.

To all who have helped in this, some times difficult but rewarding program, the committee wishes to express its appreciation.

Martin Schroeder
Area Director for Nebraska

Report received as information.

Pastor Ollendorf presented the Report of Lutheran World Action.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

Lutheran World Action is undoubtedly one of the greatest accomplishments in modern Christian activity.

Basically, what is Lutheran World Action? It is the unity of many Christian Lutheran individuals, not only in this nation but also of the whole world, dedicated to the cause of helping their fellow men in need, be their need spiritual or physical. It narrows down to this: Lutheran World Action is you; it is I; it is each and every Lutheran using some of his resources to help a brother in need.

Therefore, no Lutheran (including you and me) can refer to Lutheran World Action with an indefinite "they," asking, perhaps, "What are 'they' doing?" Rather, he must ask this, "What am I doing for Lutheran World Action?" That is what counts. For Lutheran World Action depends upon the individual Lutheran. When he supports it, the works of mercy continue; but when he fails, so does it fail.

Thus the Lutheran World Action appeal must be on an individual level.

Last year our synod came only within 77% of reaching her goal. This is the second consecutive year that she has failed to reach her goal. Perhaps, the biggest reason for this lag in support is due to a decline of interest in Lutheran World Action, which in turn fostered a "weariness in well doing."

Consequently, interest in Lutheran World Action must be revitalized. This can only be done through an appeal that reaches the individual level. This means that as pastors we must reach every member in our congregations, and we must use every effort to inform him of the work, the need, and the worthiness of Lutheran World Action. Furthermore, he can be informed, because printed material has been prepared for him by the National Lutheran Council. But it is up to us to see that he gets it. In addition excellent material for visual aid training for all age levels has been provided. But these too must be shown to be of any use. So let's show them.

And let us not be content by just showing the 16mm sound films. Let us also show the 35mm film strips. As a matter of fact they are even better than the 16mm films for information and instruction.

All films may be booked through the Book of Books Store, 316 S. 18th Street, Omaha, Nebr.

The Committee on Lutheran World Action wishes to thank all pastors and congregations for their work in Lutheran World Action in 1957.

The Committee on Lutheran World Action,
Fred Olendorf, chairman

Motion prevailed to adjourn, with prayer by the Convention Chaplain.

SECOND SESSION

May 13, 1958 — 1:45 P.M.

The second session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain, the Rev. Raymond Johnson.

The Ministerium and Conference of Lay Delegates convened.

The report of the Ministerium was presented by the Secretary.

It was recommended that the following be ordained: Daniel K. Bruesabach, Richard Dunning, Roger Gieschen, Henry Gittler, Robert J. Hulse, W. Merle Moebus II, Carl Neubel, Kenneth Strecker, Dean Sudman. A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation of the Ministerium.

It was recommended that the following be received into membership of the Synod: The Rev. Donald L. Albert, the Rev. Hugh Dowler, the Rev. Martin G. Kabele, the Rev. Henry B. Kleinert, the Rev. Wilhelm Linss, the Rev. Ivan G. Mattern, the Rev. Paul L. Miller, the Rev. Morris J. Niedenthal, the Rev. Hugo Rathkamp, the Rev. John K. Shirck, and the Rev. Frank S. Moyer. A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation.

The Rev. Frank S. Moyer was called to be the Omaha Area Chaplain by the Nebraska Lutheran Social Service.

It was recommended that, following the ordination of the Rev. Charles Murnan by the Iowa Synod, called to Pilgrim, Omaha, he be received into membership of the Synod. A motion to adopt the recommendation carried.

The Committee on Elections reported there was no election on the second ballot for secretary.

A third ballot was cast for secretary. The voting was limited to the three highest on the second ballot, namely, Louis de Freese, Hugo Welchert, and Lorin Wolff.

The ballots were closed for secretary.

The report of the Executive Committee on Nominations was presented by the secretary.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE — NOMINATIONS

Midland College Trustees

Rev. Hugo H. F. Welchert
Rev. Ernest F. Tonsing
Mr. L. W. Bauerle
Mr. Fred Kloepper

Tabitha Home Trustees

Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D.
Rev. F. W. Nolte, D.D.
Mr. Herman G. Wellensiek

Examining Committee

Rev. Herman Goede, D.D.
Rev. S. Kenneth deFreese

Nebraska Lutheran Social Service

Mr. William Horst
Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, D.D.

Central Theological Seminary Trustees

Rev. George P. Krebs
Mr. Clinton Von Seggern

Committee on Home Missions

Rev. Richard Jobman
Rev. Leland H. Lesher, D.D.
Dr. Geiger, Kansas City, Mo.
Mr. Gilbert Hougan, Potter, Neb.

The Rev. Calvin J. Naugle, D.D., was nominated from the floor to the Committee on Home Missions.

The Rev. Edward W. Amend was nominated to the Examining Committee from the floor. A motion to close the nominations prevailed.

There being no further nominations for Trustees to Midland College a motion prevailed that the nominations cease.

The Rev. John N. Slice and the Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, D.D., were nominated for Central Lutheran Theological Seminary Trustees for a one year term. A motion for nominations to cease prevailed.

A motion prevailed that nominations for Tabitha Home cease.

A motion prevailed that nominations for Nebraska Lutheran Social Service cease.

The Rev. Dwight F. Putman, D.D., President of the Central Pennsylvania Synod, and representing the United Lutheran Church in America, addressed the convention.

The Committee on Elections reported there was no election for secretary.

A motion prevailed that if there is no election on the fourth ballot, the fifth ballot shall be limited to the two highest.

A fourth ballot was cast for secretary.

Nominations were made for delegates to the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Rev. Vernon Jacobs introduced the Rev. George H. Berkheimer, D.D., representative of the ULCA Board of Pensions, who addressed the convention.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS

Members of the Committee on Pensions met at the Church House in Omaha, July 22, 1957 to plan and carry out the emphasis of the U.L.C.A. Pension and Family Protection Plan to the Pastors and Congregations of our Synod.

To this end a letter was sent out to Pastors and Congregations, not fully participating in the Pension Plan and/or in the Family Protection Plan, urging such participation.

A recommendation was also made to President of Synod, Dr. A. Young for Executive consideration: "to have Dr. Berkheimer, of the U.L.C.A. Pension Board at the 1958 Convention of Central States Synod, by Synod invitation, to speak on the Pension and Family Protection Plan and to answer any questions."

Dr. Young informed the Committee on Pensions, that an invitation had been extended to Dr. Berkheimer and that on Tuesday afternoon, May 13, time has been so provided, for his presentation.

Committee on Pensions
Rev. H. G. Knaub
Rev. Foster L. Cress
Rev. Arthur Schmidt
Mr. George Woodward
Mr. Glenn Ericksen

The Committee on Reference and Counsel recommended the time be extended to 5:30 P.M. for the day.

The Rev. Edward Rohlfing presented the report of the Foreign Missions Committee.

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Your committee has promoted a program of education in Foreign Missions by a synod wide distribution of filmstrips. Through the use of funds appropriated by synod, eighteen copies of each of three different filmstrips were purchased and distributed by members of the committee from five different centers in Synod. The titles of the filmstrips are "Welcome To Jiai-en" (Japan), "Sharing the Gospel in Rural India," and "Message From Malaya." A synod wide schedule for the use of these films was prepared allowing each congregation to use each of the filmstrips for a period of one month.

In addition to the filmstrips which were purchased for distribution, The Board of Foreign Missions provided for our free use eighteen copies of the motion picture film "Land of Many Waters" (British Guiana). We were given the use of these motion picture films for a period of five months and in order that all might have the privilege of using the film a schedule for their use was also set up.

Report forms accompanied each film or filmstrip for a report of its use in the congregation. According to these reports received back by the committee most congregations receiving the films made extensive use of them in the congregation and in the auxiliaries of the congregation.

With but few exceptions cooperation in forwarding or returning of the films and strips has been good.

Our goal is to have been helpful in the promotion of at least 17,000 hours of mission education in Synod this year.

Respectfully,
Rev. E. F. Rohlfing, Chairman

Missionaries Louis L'Heureux, Dennis Koch, and Levon Spath brought greetings.

The report of the Committee on Elections reported the election for secretary. The Rev. Hugo Welchert received the necessary number for election and was declared elected.

The report of the Nebraska Lutheran Social Service was postponed to Wednesday morning.

A motion prevailed to close the balloting for delegates to the ULCA Convention at the close of the evening service.

The session was adjourned with prayer by the Convention Chaplain.

The Service of Ordination was held at 8:00 P.M., Tuesday, May 13, 1958. The Rev. Gerhard Gieschen preached the sermon. The nine candidates ordained were: Daniel K. Breunsbach, Richard Dunning, Roger K. Gieschen, Henry Gittler, Robert J. Hulse, W. Merle Moebus, Carl Neubel, Kenneth Strecker, and Dean Sudman.

Pastors participating in the service were: The Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D., President of the Central States Synod; the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D., Assistant to the President of the Central States Synod; the Rev. Louis de Freese, Secretary of the Central States Synod; the Rev. Fred Wolff, President of the Southwest Conference of the Central States Synod; and the Rev. Gerhard Gieschen, Professor at Central Lutheran Seminary.

Pastors participating in the Laying-on-of-Hands were: The Rev. Edward J. Amend, the Rev. Sherman Fredrick, the Rev. Wesley Fuerst, the Rev. Fredrick Boldt, D.D., the Rev. Karl Konig, the Rev. George Search, the Rev. Stanley Rogge, the Rev. P. W. H. Fredrick, D.D., and the Rev. Loyal Mortensen.

The Senior Choir of St. Paul's Lutheran Church provided the special music.

A reception in honor of the ordinands was held in the church parlors following the service.

THIRD SESSION

May 14, 1958 — 8:30 A.M.

The session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain, the Rev. Raymond Johnson.

The Committee on Minutes reported.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel called for the report from the Committee on Elections. A motion prevailed that the alternates to the United Lutheran Church in America Convention be those remaining men listed with the number of votes received, other than the two elected.

A motion prevailed that balloting on the next ballot be limited to twice the number needed for the election.

The Committee on Registration and Attendance reported.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel recommended the following be the order of business following the reception of ordinands: Social Service, Action on Proposed Amendments to the By-Laws, Executive Committee Recommendations, and Church Vocations. Recommendation approved.

The Ordinands were presented to the Synod by the Rev. Gerhard Gieschen, and received by President Young.

Ballots were closed for delegates.

The report of the Nebraska Lutheran Social Service Directors was presented by the Rev. Samuel Jensne. The Rev. L. C. Pretty and the Rev. Frank S. Moyer were presented to the convention and spoke briefly.

REPORT OF NEBRASKA LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICE DIRECTORS

Two chaplains were added to our full-time staff during 1957 bringing the number to three: Pastor Loren C. Pretty, Director-Chaplain, Lincoln; Pastor Frank S. Moyer, Chaplain in the Omaha area; and Pastor Herbert H. Graening, Chaplain in the Beatrice area. These chaplains should be notified by our pastors when any of our members are in hospitals and institutions in their areas.

The agency conducts workshops and training sessions for our pastors. Last year a successful workshop was held in Lincoln on alcoholism and related problems and on other occasions our chaplains delivered papers on Pastoral Care to several ministerial groups. The work of N.L.S.S. has also been presented to congregational organizations and at Sunday services. Invitations from congregations to present information about chaplaincy work are welcome.

The annual appeal for free-will offerings was answered by 41 congregations of our synod in Nebraska with a total of $1,828.11 in 1957. We thank these congregations for their gifts in the Name of Him who said: "I was sick and you visited me," and hope that other pastors will give their congregations an opportunity to share some of their offerings with N.L.S.S. The Board of Social Missions granted $4,000.00 to our agency for the current year but this grant, if renewed for next year, will be cut to $3,000.00 and the amount of the reduction will have to be made up by additional congregational gifts. Our operating budget totals $21,830 for the period from June 1957 to June 1958.

Respectfully submitted,
Samuel W. Jensen, President

Secretary de Freese read the proposed amendments to the By-Laws: "Recommend that Section VII, Paragraph 8, be amended by the addition of 'elective,' or 'appointive' between 'standing' and 'committee.'" The By-Law would then read: No member except the president shall serve on more than one standing, elective, or appointive committee. Motion to adopt the amendment.

Motion to amend by deleting the word "appointive." Carried.

Motion prevailed to adopt the amendment as amended.

It was recommended that Section X, Paragraph 3, be amended by striking the words, "one week" in line 4, and inserting the words "three weeks." The By-Law would then read: The Secretary of Synod shall mail one copy of the convention bulletin to each minister together with one additional copy for the use of the lay delegate of each congregation, at least three weeks prior to the regular convention of synod. Motion to adopt the amendment. Carried.

Secretary de Freese read the Executive Committee recommendations:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Since the 1957 Convention of Synod the Executive Committee has met in four sessions at the Church House in Omaha, Nebraska: June 11, 1957, September 19, 1957, January 16, 1958, and March 10, 1958. The committee cared for all business as assigned by the Constitution and the Convention of Synod.

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT: The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D. D., was nominated by the President of Synod to serve as Assistant to the President for a period of five years. The nomination was approved by the Executive Committee. Is was understood he would be assigned for service as Secretary of Home Missions, and other duties as may be assigned by the President of Synod. He accepted the call, effective August 15, 1957.

INTERIM APPOINTMENT: At the January meeting of the Executive Committee the Rev. Louis de Freese, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was named as secretary pro tem until the next convention of Synod.

COMMITTEES: Appointive Committee members and officers were named and approved as indicated in the Directory of Synod as published in the 1957 Convention Minutes.

RETIRED PASTORS: Christmas gifts of 10.00 were again given to retired pastors of Synod and to pastors' widows. Sixty-three such gifts were mailed by the treasurer.

CONVENTION TRAVEL: The Executive Committee adopted the following recommendations concerning convention travel expenses:

1. That Synod pay synodical convention travel at the rate of:
   a. Four cents per mile for each delegate of Synod.
   b. Four cents per mile for retired pastors living on the territory of Synod.
   c. Four cents per mile from the bounds of Synod to the convention site for retired pastors of Synod living outside the territory of Synod.
   d. Four cents per mile for candidates for ordination at the Synodical convention. Mileage to be computed from the candidate's home in the territory of Synod to the convention site, or from the bounds of Synod to the convention site if the candidate resides outside the territory of Synod.
2. All persons claiming travel expenses are to submit mileage

claims to the Synodical Convention Travel Committee during the convention on forms provided by Synod.

Mode of travel, i.e., auto, bus, train, or plane, may be selected by the delegates but reimbursement is to be as above, regardless of mode of travel chosen. Mileage is to be claimed for the shortest available improved land route. Final decision of reimbursement of mileage will rest with the Convention Travel Committee using a Rand McNally Atlas to determine distances involved where disagreement as to allowable mileage may occur.

3. The Synodical Travel expenses will be paid as soon as practical after the audit of the claims.

NEISWANGER ESTATE: The Executive Committee authorized the appointment of a committee of three to meet with representatives of Salem Lutheran Church, Dakota City, Nebraska, to make plans for preserving the site of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Dakota City. A bequest of $3000.00 was left by Mrs. Elizabeth Neiswanger.

MIDLAND COLLEGE: A sub-committee was appointed to investigate procedures followed in abolishing the office of Director of Public Relations of Midland College. This action was the result of a letter addressed to the Executive Committee by Mr. Carl Olson. After hearing the report of the sub-committee, the following action was taken:

WHEREAS, the Synodical Executive Committee has been asked to review the case of Mr. Olson in connection with the termination of the Office of Public Relations of Midland College, and

WHEREAS, Dr. T. J. C. Schuldt does not desire to further pursue the issue, and

WHEREAS, Authority to act in such matters is vested in five synods, it is

RECOMMENDED, That the issue be terminated.

Authorization was given to the purchase of a parsonage at Durant, Oklahoma, with temporary financing in the amount of $5300.00.

A loan of $8000.00 to Trinity Lutheran Church, Polk, Louisiana, was authorized. It is to be repaid with annual payments of $1500.00, interest at 5%, to be waived if payments are made when due.

The purchase of a parsonage at Haysville, Kansas was authorized and temporary financing in the amount of $3665.00.

The Executive Committee authorized the transfer of title to the property in Fort Smith, Arkansas to St. Luke's Lutheran Church; in Broken Bow, Nebraska to Our Saviour's Lutheran Church; in Bethel, Kansas to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

The purchase of a parsonage in Little Rock, Arkansas was authorized, temporary financing in the amount of $6400.00. Authorization was also given to purchase a parsonage at Columbia, Missouri with temporary financing in the amount of $7250.00.

Authorized the sale of a portion of church site in Springfield, Missouri.

Off-street parking is provided on the south side of the Church House lot in Omaha.

A House-Chapel was purchased in Durant, Oklahoma. Synod provided $2500.00 temporary financing.

The committee authorized the transfer of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tea, South Dakota to the Dakota District of the American Lutheran Church.

Approved the allocation of $1500.00 for the 1958 Evangelism Program in Synod.

The Committee approved the establishing of a central office for Visual Aids. The office to be located at Raytown, Missouri.

Synod is grateful for the Synodical Brotherhood's generous gift of a 16mm sound moving projector and screen valued at $600.00.

WHEREAS, Midland College has increased her enrollment by 36% during the past four years, and

WHEREAS, Midland is still in dire need of new buildings on the campus to properly care for the students entrusted to her, and

WHEREAS, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States has not fully completed the goal set by herself in the Midland Extension Appeal,

THEREFORE, Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Midland College beseech the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States to continue this Appeal through congregational effort until said program has been carried to full fruition. It being further understood that the representatives of the College will assume the directorship of the Appeal to the best of their ability, and to assist wherever and whenever possible in promoting and working with any and all congregations that request her help or when directed specifically by the officers of said Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States.

PROPOSED ACTION: That the Midland College Appeal be promoted in the congregations of synod through 1959. Further, that we concur in the proposal of Midland College, namely, that representatives of the College will assume the directorship of the Appeal to the best of their ability, assisting wherever and whenever possible in promoting and working with any and all congregations that request her help or when directed specifically by the officers of said Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States.

A motion was carried to adopt the recommendation.

MIDLAND COLLEGE APPEAL:

WHEREAS, many of the congregations in synod have strongly indicated their desire to complete their unpaid quotas of the Midland Appeal, and because of the increased needs in the field of Christian Higher Education that Midland College is called upon to meet,

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the congregations acknowledge their unpaid balances as obligations and make every effort to meet them in full by the end of 1959. And, recognizing that some congregations may desire or require a longer period of time to meet these obligations, that synod approve congregational plans requiring additional time beyond 1959. A motion carried to adopt the recommendation.

A motion was made to amend the recommendation that the words "be encouraged" be inserted. It would then read: "It is recommended that the congregations be encouraged to acknowledge their unpaid balances, etc."

A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation as amended.

It was recommended that a committee of nine (three from each of the three synods now merged into the Central States Synod) be appointed to study the matter of preparing and publishing historical documents in preparation for the Centennial celebration in 1967. The archivist shall be a member ex officio of this committee. The recommendation was carried.

A motion prevailed to re-affirm the action of 1957 to study the advisability of obtaining additional staff.

A motion did not prevail that the Executive Committee continue to study and report back to the synod in 1959.

The following recommendation was presented in regard to congregational relationships:

WHEREAS, there are a number of congregations in synod not financially able to call a full-time pastor, and there have been indications of a desire to confer on the inter-Lutheran level with other church bodies in the matter of congregation cooperation, IT IS RECOMMENDED that a committee be appointed by the President of Synod, with the approval of the Executive Committee, to study congregational relationships as they exist in our synod and also on the inter-Lutheran level.

A motion prevailed to adopt the resolution.

The Secretary read the first reading of ARTICLE TEN, Paragraph 9: Recommended that Article Ten, Paragraph 9, be amended by adding the following two sentences at the end of the paragraph: A minister "awaiting a call to a new field of labor" shall be given no more than two extensions of one year each to the original action regarding him as in that category. To assure that this last rule will be waived only under the most unusual circumstances, exceptions to it shall be made only by two-thirds vote of the synod upon recommendation of the Ministerium.

ARTICLE SEVEN, Section II, Paragraph 1: Recommended that Article Seven, Section II, Paragraph 1, be amended by inserting immediately following the word "President," the following words, "the Assistant to the President."

The convention was addressed by the Rev. Dwight F. Putman, D.D., the representative of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel recommended adjournment at 12:20.

The Rev. Everett Norling of the Augustana Lutheran Church was introduced and brought greetings.

The Rev. Vernon Jacobs presented the following to the convention: Mrs. A. W. Young, Mrs. Reno Frobenius, Mrs. Martha de Freese, Mrs. John Slice, Mr. Walter Jobman, and senior pastors: the Rev. W. O. Zahlis and the Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, D.D.

The Committee on Elections reported.

A motion prevailed that the first seven be elected as delegates and the following seven be alternates in their order.

The report of the Committee on Church Vocations was presented by the Rev. Martin Ashley.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH VOCATIONS

The Committee interviewed all available students in the fall of 1957. At various times, members of the Committee have been called to interview new students and students with special problems.

The Committee expresses appreciation for the assistance of Dr. William Zimmerman and Mr. Elmer Sasse, Midland College, and to Dr. E. B. Keisler of Central Seminary, for

The Committee has been responsible for the Annual Boys' Retreat at Central Seminary, and also sponsored a Church Vocation Conference for young ladies. The Committee has assisted with these Conferences for Church Vocations in any way that it could.

Following is a list of our students at this present time:

1. Barnett, Dale, Junior, Midland, ministry
2. Benne, Robert, Junior, Midland, ministry
3. Brown, James L., Senior, Midland, ministry
4. Buskirk, Wayne, Freshman, Midland, ministry
5. Cartwright, Garry D., Sophomore, Midland, ministry
6. Casper, Larry, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
7. Colville, John, Freshman, Midland, ministry
8. DeSelms, Dean, Senior, Midland, ministry
9. Gramberg, Merlyn, Wayne State Teacher's, ministry
10. Grinberg, Andris, Sophomore, Omaha U.
11. Hahle, Dennis, Junior, Midland, ministry
12. Hansen, John, Sophomore, Midland, music
13. Harder, Roland, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
14. Hennig, George, Freshman, Midland, ministry
15. Kern, Donald, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
16. Knaub, Richard, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
17. Krahmer, Keith, Junior, Midland, ministry
18. Kurtz, Ernest, Freshman, Midland, ministry
19. Lage, George, Senior, Kan. State Teacher's, ministry
20. Lieberknecht, Richard, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
21. Lockwood, Milton, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
22. Long, Karen, Freshman, Midland, religious teaching
23. McDonald, Clinton, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
24. Mann, Linda, Sophomore, Midland, Director of religious ed.
25. Monnich, Michael, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
26. Peack, Alice, Freshman, Midland, parish work
27. Peil, Leon, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
28. Rolf, Wayne, Junior, Midland, ministry
29. Sherwood, Jackson, Junior, Midland, ministry
30. Shewanick, Robert, Freshman, Midland, ministry
31. Sieckmann, Robert, Senior, Wayne State Teacher's, ministry
32. Slice, Joan, Freshman, Midland, music or literature

33. Stellijes, Gayle, Sophomore, Midland, ministry
34. Stromer, Harold, Freshman, Midland, ministry
35. Taylor, George, Senior, Midland, ministry
36. Thompson, Mary Jane, Sophomore, Midland, parish work
37. Vetter, Noel, Junior, Midland, ministry
38. VonSeggern, Myron, Freshman, Midland, ministry
39. Wegele, Clarence, Junior, Midland, ministry
40. Willert, Colleen, Freshman, Midland, parish work
41. Witcher, Wayne, Junior, Midland, ministry
42. Wood, Pat, Sophomore, Midland, parish work

Seminary

43. Angersbach, David, Junior, Pacific
44. Buhr, Robert, Middler, Central
45. Bruensbach, Daniel, Senior, Central
46. Cepure, Uldis, Junior, Central
47. Darge, Ronald, Junior, Central
48. Diekhoff, Leland, Middler, Central
49. Dunning, Richard, Senior, Central
50. Felton, James, Middler, Central
51. Fruhling, Lawrence, Middler, Central
52. Gieschen, David, Middler, Central
53. Gieschen, Roger, Senior, Central
54. Harmon, Charles, Junior, Central
55. Homburg, Arthur, Senior, Central
56. Homburg, August, Jr., Middler, Central
57. Hulse, Robert, Senior, Central
58. Jensen, Glen, Junior, Central
59. Lange, Robert, Junior, Pacific
60. McCracken, Benny, Middler, Gettysburg
61. Moebus, Merle, Senior, Central
62. Nubel, Carl, Senior, Central
63. Pederson, Fred, Middler, Central
64. Rasmussen, LaVern, Middler, Gettysburg
65. Schoonover, Victor, Senior, Central
66. Sudman, Dean, Senior, Central
67. VonHolten, James, Middler, Central
68. Wiemers, Delmar, Junior, Central
69. Yeiser, Robert, Junior, Central
70. Yurk, Henry, Junior, Central

Aid-Allocations for school year 1957-58

1.	Robert Benne	$ 200.00
2.	James Brown	300.00
3.	Wayne Buskirk	250.00
4.	Dennis Hahle	200.00
5.	Roland Harder	100.00*
6.	Donald Kern	200.00
7.	Keith Krahmer	200.00
8.	Leon Peil	200.00*

9.	Jackson Sherwood	375.00
10.	Gayle Stelljes	265.00
11.	Harold Stromer, Jr.	250.00
12.	Wayne Witcher	175.00*
13.	Robert Buhr	$ 300.00
14.	Daniel Bruensbach	170.00
15.	Uldis Cepure	300.00
16.	Ronald Darege	75.00
17.	Lawrence Fruhling	100.00

Respectfully Submitted
Martin Ashley

Whereas, The need exists in the United Lutheran Church in America for Lay workers in many fields of Church work, and

Whereas, Laymen are constantly being asked through various Church publications to make Christ's Work their Life Work, and

Whereas, The Committee on Church Vocations appears to work only with students, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Executive Committee establish a committee of an equal number of Pastors and Laymen to serve as a liason between laymen seeking full time Church employment, and Church agencies seeking full time employees, and that the committee utilize all available opportunities to publicize their functions in publications of Synod, ULCA, and the Lutheran Church at large.

Respectfully Submitted,
Clay C. Merrick

Motion prevailed to refer to the Committee on Church Vocations the resolution concerning full-time lay workers.

The report of the Committee on Stewardship was presented by the Rev. Walter H. Moeller. Supplementary material was distributed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP

The members of the Committee have been extremely faithful in attendance, in secretarial activity and in work at Area Conferences. The Committee held three meetings with the following activities.

1. A meeting was held with the Area Representatives of the Committee.
2. A representative of the Committee appeared before all Conferences.
3. The October issue of the Central States Lutheran was largely given over to a presentation of the U.L.C.A. 1958 appeal needs.
4. Eight "Grass Roots" Conferences were held in eight widely separated areas of Synod. Mr. John Berger, L.L.M., the layman and pastor of the Committee directed the conferences. About 250 pastors and laymen attended the conference despite the severe winter weather conditions.

The Committee and the Synod is grateful to Mr. Berger and the L.L.M. for assistance throughout the year.

The Special Committee report on the "Budget Approach" of "Self Allocatin" of Synodical and U.L.C.A. needs will be made on a separate sheet.

The Committee's cry is that all congregations move at least one step forward in the efficient presentation of the claims of Christian Stewardship and the use of effective helps in encouraging the response of the people. If we put forth this effort God will give the increase.

Walter H. Moeller, Chairman

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP POLICIES

As Authorized on Page 72, Line 18ff, in the Minutes of Synod for 1957

1. We recommend that the study of the "Budget Approach" or "Self Allocation" plan for Congregations, (in which each congregation sets its own Benevolence goal) be continued by the Stewardship Committee and a report made to the 1959 meeting of Synod. The LLM and the Stewardship Director of the ULCA are making a detailed study of the above plan. It was thought wise to await their conclusions before considering the adoption of the plan. Information is being gathered from Synods using a similar plan.

2. Whereas the Committee recognizes Synod's progress in dollar giving to Benevolence and feels the following program will facilitate continued advancement in Stewardship;

We therefore recommend that Synod authorize the formation, training and operation of Visitation Teams to be used by congregations. This is considered the necessary first step in a progressive plan for confronting our people with their full stewardship responsibility. The following is the general plan for the operation of Visitation Teams.

a) Object: The object of the Visitation Teams will be to bring to the congregations the complete story of the causes of the ULCA and Synod. In no way will the Teams take the place of the local Pastor's own promotion of these causes but will supplement and broaden his presentation.

b) Material: The Visitation Teams will use the materials presented by the ULCA representative to Synod correlated with the causes of Synod itself. The Stewardship Committee shall prepare a brochure explaining the causes of the Church. The Executive Committee of Synod shall review this material and guide the Teams in forming their presentation.

c) The Congregation: An itinerary for the Teams will be formed and the congregations will be asked to approve the schedule promptly. Teams will be encouraged to make the presentation to the Congregation but may appear before some other group of the Church at the suggestion of the pastor or the Church Council.

d) It makes moral sense for a Congregation individually to accept its Benevolence responsibility and to pledge to make a sincere effort to reach the goal. Such response may be made at

the time of the Visitation or at the time the congregation's budget is adopted.

e) Teams: Teams may include a pastor and one or more laymen. They will be selected by the Stewardship Committee. No team will visit a congregation until each member of the team has received training and shall have been supplied with suitable aids.

f) Time: Congregations should invite teams to come at a date before the budget or proposal is established. September or October is suggested.

g) The present plan is to use the above training and visitation as the chief Stewardship effort for 1958-59.

h) The Committee urges the Synod and Executive Committee of Synod to speed its efforts to obtain a full time Stewardship Secretary to more effectively carry out the above program.

Stewardship Committee Members:
Walter H. Moeller
Edward Amend
William Hayden
Walter Gengenbach
John Langmacher

A motion prevailed to adopt the supplementary report.

A motion carried to amend that the word "shall" be substituted for the word "may" under 2b in the last sentence. It would then read: "The Executive Committee of Synod shall review this material and guide the teams in forming their presentation."

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD IN THE CENTRAL STATES

The Executive Committee recommends that the following proposed budget be adopted.

PROPOSED BUDGET — 1959

A. Apportionment—		
The United Lutheran Church in America		$364,543.00
B. Apportionment—Synod		293,775.00
Total Apportionment		658,318.00
1. Higher Education		
Colleges (Midland)	$ 99,800.00	
Seminaries (Central)	32,000.00	
Ministerial Education	6,000.00	
Student Work	11,500.00	
Total		149,300.00

2. Parish Education		
General Supervision	125.00	
Youth Work	300.00	
Audio Visual	325.00	
Midland Assembly	750.00	
Total		1,500.00
3. Home Missions		
Supervision, cost of developing new missions, salary aid, rents, financing costs, and grants	28,000.00	
Total		28,000.00
4. Social Missions		
Synodical Relief	700.00	
Welfare	2,000.00	
Home for Aged and Orphans (Tabitha)	15,000.00	
Total		17,700.00
5. Conventions		
U.L.C.A.	2,000.00	
Synodical Convention	5,000.00	
Printing Costs—Minutes and Literature	3,000.00	
Total		10,000.00
6. Boards and Committees (Cost of Meetings)		
Executive Committee	1,500.00	
Home Missions	1,500.00	
Stewardship and Evangelism	1,500.00	
Other Committees	2,800.00	
Total		7,300.00
7. Promotion		
Synodical Publications	9,000.00	
Projects carried on by Stewardship Committee	2,500.00	
Evangelism Committee	2,500.00	
Synodical Committee Misc.	500.00	
Secretary of Promotion (Salary and Expenses)	12,000.00	
Total		26,500.00

8. Executive Officers		
President's Salary	8,000.00	
Asst. to President's Salary	6,300.00	
Housing and Adjustments	3,000.00	
Pension Contributions	2,012.00	
Travel Expense	9,000.00	
Other Officers, Honorarium, Travel, and Misc. Expense	4,000.00	
Total		32,312.00
9. Office Expenses		
Secretarial and Clerical Salaries	6,500.00	
Social Security	163.00	
Church House Payments	2,400.00	
Stationery and Office Supplies	1,200.00	
Telephone and Telegraph	1,200.00	
Postage	600.00	
Maintenance Church House	3,000.00	
Auditing	400.00	
Insurance	200.00	
Depreciation—Furniture and Fixtures Expense	1,000.00	
Depreciation—Church House Exp.	500.00	
Total		17,163.00
10. Contingencies		4,000.00

Apportionment based on communing membership for year 1956:

U.L.C.A.	$8.70
Synod	7.04
	$15.74

As per meeting 2/5/58.

Budget Committee
Paul H. Palmquist, Chairman
Howard Dwyer
Elmer Sasse
Rev. Henry Goede
Dr. A. W. Young

The report of the Executive Committee on the Budget was adopted.

A motion prevailed to adopt the budget as a whole.

The report of the Committee on Social Missions was presented by Rev. Samuel Jensen.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL MISSIONS

The Social Missions Committee is concerned with three divisions of Christian life: Evangelism, Social Action and Inner Missions.

Evangelism

A complete report of the 1956-57 Lutheran Evangelism Mission activity in our synod has been submitted to the committee by Area Director, Pastor George Housewright. In brief summary it shows that 167 of our congregations participated in the L.E.M., sending out 6,051 lay visitors to interview 11,458 individuals in the Name of Christ and His Church. The joy of witnessing has brought many blessings to our congregations so that a year-around evangelism is in many areas of our synod. Financially our synod more than paid for the L.E.M. program. After all expenses were paid, a balance of $3,865.07 was sent to the Evangelism Department of The Board of Social Missions, because most area missions received more than their expenses while only a few did not. This money, along with excess offerings from other synods, is being used for evangelism work and to produce new materials for use by our pastors and congregations.

The Board of Social Missions has granted $750.00 to our synod for use in carrying out the 1958 Evangelism Objectives, particularly for payment of travel expenses for our lay visitors or synodical representatives to congregations' evangelism committees and Church Councils. An additional $250.00 is available from The Board if necessary. This will go to your committee's budget of $2,500.00 per year for the evangelism program in our synod.

The committee, with executive committee approval, has appointed the Rev. Robert E. Schlichter, Tekamah, Nebraska, as Synodical Evangelism Chairman for 1958-59. He has done a tremendous amount of work to get the program underway for 1958. Many thanks are due him for his devotion to the job. Added thanks are also expressed by the committee to the Rev. George Housewright, Associate Director of Evangelism, for his energetic work in our churches during 1956-57 and also for helping our committee set-up the new, 1958 synodical program on a conference basis.

The 1958-59 Evangelism program is full of helpful plans for any congregation. Certainly all pastors will be anxious to prepare and use the Bible study material in the congregation. Your committee urges pastors to invite a synodical representative to his church for an evening's discussion with the Church Council and the evangelism committee. The quarterly progress reports to be sent to the evangelism chairman of synod are brief and to the point. They will help any pastor check himself on his concern for souls and also give the synodical committee a picture of the progress of our synod in the important work of evangelism.

Social Action

During 1957 your committee assisted in the program and arrangements for the Des Moines Faith and Life Institute which was held December 6-8, 1957 under the direction of the Department for Social Action of The Board of Social Missions. About 50 laymen of our Church attended this conference patterned after the Evan-

gelical Academies of Germany. This was a pilot experiment of the U.L.C.A. and one of five such institutes held in various parts of the United States and Canada.

For home study of our pastors and interested laymen, your committee recommends the purchase and reading of the new, three-volume work, "Christian Social Responsibility," edited by Harold C. Letts ($4.75 per set, Muhlenberg Press) for an answer to the pertinent question: "What is the relationship of the Christian faith to the secular world of our day?"

Inner Missions

1. MENTALLY RETARDED. Your committee submits the following information regarding facilities and services for the mentally retarted child in Nebraska. This is in partial fulfillment of the resolution referred to the committee by the 1957 synodical convention (1957 Minutes, page 106). The following institutions and agencies of our State of Nebraska are known to the committee as offering programs and services to aid the mentally retarded:

a. The Martin Luther Home, Mr. D. A. Boyer, Superintendent, Beatrice, Nebraska, an institution of The American Lutheran Church, has a new home and school, a social case worker and a staff of specialized teachers. It is for the retarded but teachable child. The children here are from 6 to 16 years and have an IQ ranging from around 40 to 70 and are near normal physically.

b. The Augustana Lutheran Church has a fine institution and program for the mentally retarded and physically afflicted child who is not expected to be returned to society or normal home life. It is Bethphage Mission, the Rev. H. R. Ekerberg, Director, Axtell, Nebraska. Most of the residents here are what are known as non-teachable, but can profit from its Christian atmosphere in its educational and occupational therapy programs.

c. Should pastors need assistance in counselling with families, your committee would direct them to Immanuel Deaconess Institute Children's Services, Mr. Reynold Bjurstrom, Director, Omaha, Nebraska. The Executive Director of The Immanuel Deaconess Institute is Mr. Spencer Brader. This institution is also a part of the Augustana Lutheran Church and has two qualified social case workers on its staff.

d. Our own Tabitha Home, the Rev. W. W. Alexander, Superintendent, Lincoln, Nebraska, provides institutional care for normal children in need of a home. It could not give direct help to children that are mentally retarded but could make some referrals to other institutions. It has no full-time social case worker on its staff but uses such services from the outside.

e. The Lutheran Children's Service Society, the Rev. L. M. Doctor, Executive Director, Omaha, Neraska, maintains a home in Fremont, Nebraska, for the emotionally disturbed child unable to live in a private family setting, and is known as The Lutheran Children's Home of which Mr. Leroy H. Jones is Superintendent.

f. The Rev. Herbert H. Graening, P. O. Box 472, Beatrice,

Nebraska, is full-time chaplain called by Nebraska Lutheran Social Service to minister at the Beatrice State Home, Beatrice, which is the State's institution for the mentally retarded child. He is available for counselling with pastors and parents and is presently developing simple lessons in the Bible and Catechism for the mentally retarded.

From these institutions and agencies of the Lutheran church in Nebraska any pastor can find help and guidance in dealing with problems in child welfare: for the normal but homeless child; for the emotionally disturbed; and, for the mentally retarded of teachable or non-teachable status.

2. DISASTER RELIEF. A grant of $1,000.00 was given to Christ Lutheran Church, Ellis, Kansas, in June, 1957, to aid in replacing damaged equipment resulting from a flash flood. This action was based on a resolution passed at the last synod convention (1957 Minutes, Recommendation 1, page 40). The President of synod requested the Committee to reconsider this action and prepare a substitute recommendation for the synod. The following resolution with recommendations is offered as a substitute for Recommendation 1 of the Executive Committee (1957 Minutes, page 40):

Whereas, the Church has adopted a procedure in case of disaster (1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pages 458-459) and,

Whereas, the Board of Social Missions of the U.L.C.A. has been directed by the Church to give whatever help it can to congregations in time of disaster;

Therefore, be it resolved that the following procedure be followed in our synod when possible at a time of disaster:

1) The Pastor or an officer of the Church Council shall notify the President of Synod immediately;

2) The President of Synod or his representative shall investigate the situation;

3) When the President of Synod notifies the Board of Social Missions he shall state if help and guidance is desired from the Disaster Relief Committee of said Board;

4) The facts received by the President of Synod concerning the disaster shall be communicated to the press, Church papers and other news media by the synodical Publications Committee;

5) The President of Synod and officers of the Social Missions Committee shall be authorized to gather from the congregations of the Church any offerings of funds, clothing, food, etc., and shall be empowered to administer that which is received for the relief of those effected by the disaster, such gifts being in addition to any aid by The Board of Social Missions.

Respectfully submitted,
Samuel W. Jensen, Chairman

A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendations of the Committee on Social Missions.

The Report on the Evangelism Committee was presented by the Rev. Robert E. Schlichter.

REPORT OF THE SYNODICAL EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

1. **Report of Evangelism Lay Schools**

Number of Lay Schools held	6
Congregations in Synod	187
Congregations represented	117
% of Congregations represented	62.6
Number of Lay School Leaders	75
Number of Persons attending	789
Average attendance per congregation	6.74

2. **Quarterly Evangelism Reports** (Note: Forms are available in Room 8-B)

See schedule of congregations reporting before April 30.

Congregations from which reports have been received after April 30, through May 10.

Northeast Conference

Scribner, United—R. R. Pfeiffer, pastor; John H. Lamberty, Evangelism Chairman

Snyder, Immanuel—R. R. Pfeiffer, pastor; No evangelim chairman

Central Conference

Gretna, Resurrection—George J. Herber, pastor; Ray Stender, Evangelism Chairman

Southwest Conference

Glasco, St. Paul's—Vacant; William K. Dopp, Evangelism Chairman

Linn, St. Paul—Carl R. Schneider, pastor; Henry Kuhlman, Jr., Evangelism Chairman

Salina, St. John's—Walter H. Moeller, pastor; Leroy Rinard, Evangelism Chairman

3. **Evangelism Representative Visits to Congregations**

Congregations to which Evangelism Representative visits have been made to date:

Southeast Conference

Topeka, First—Ernest Tonsing, pastor

Southwest Conference

Beloit, Zion—George Eller, pastor
Eureka, Christ—Eugene Smith, pastor
Glasco, St. Paul—Vacant
Hanover, Zion—P. O. Anderson, pastor
Hutchinson, Zion—Arthur Angersbach, pastor
Linn, St. Paul's—Carl R. Schneider, pastor
New Cambria, Peace—Supplied
Russell, St. John's—Otto Matthias, pastor
Wellington, St. John's—Harvey Sindahl, pastor
Wilson, Excelsior—Supplied

4. Area Chairmen, 1958-1960

Kansas City Area—Rev. Calvin Naugle, Kansas City, Missouri
Siouxland Area—Rev. Samuel Jensen, South Sioux City, Nebraska
Fremont Area—Rev. Fredrick Boldt, Fremont, Nebraska
Central Missouri Area—Rev. Raymond Johnson, Sunrise Beach, Missouri
Columbus Area—Rev. John Slice, Columbus, Nebraska
Salina Area—Rev. Paul Rowoldt, Mentor, Kansas
Wichita Area—Rev. Harvey Sindahl, Wellington, Kansas
Hanover Area—Rev. David Samuelson, Waterville, Kansas
Wayne Area—Rev. Richard Jobman, Norfolk, Nebraska
Hastings-Grand Island Area—Rev. Paul M. de Freese, Hastings, Nebraska
Omaha Area—Rev. Hugo Welchert, Omaha, Nebraska
Sidney Area—Rev. Royce Scherf, Alliance, Nebraska
Auburn Area—Rev. Clarence Hansen, Rockport, Missouri
Niobrara Area—Rev. John Heidbreder, Niobrara, Nebraska
St. Joseph Area—No appointment to date
Lincoln Area—Rev. Fred Nolte, Lincoln, Nebraska
Tulsa-Oklahoma City Area—No appointment to date
North Platte Area—No appointment to date
Russell Area—No appointment to date

5. Area Missions and Individual Missions

Area Missions held or scheduled in 1958 and 1959:
Siouxland Area—Rev. Samuel Jensen, Area Co-Chairman (NLC Mission, ELC Direction)
Kansas City Area—Rev. Calvin Naugle, Area Chairman (NLC Mission, ULCA Direction)
Wichita Area—Metropolitan Wichita (NLC)
Hanover Area—Rev. David Samuelson, Area Chairman
The following congregations have conducted or are planning individual missions:
Fort Smith, Arkansas, St. Luke's—Chesmond Bade, pastor
Tekamah, Nebraska, Emmanuel—Robert E. Schlichter, pastor
Bennington, Nebraska, St. John's—Lorin Wolff, pastor
Durant, Oklahoma, Mission—Earl Heuser, pastor
Beloit, Kansas, Zion—George Eller, pastor

6. 1959 Evangelism Lay Schools

February 7—Southern Conference—Tulsa, Oklahoma
February 8—Northeast Conference—Wayne, Nebraska
February 8—Central Conference—Lincoln, Nebraska
February 8—Northwest Conference—North Platte, Nebraska
February 8—Southeast Conference—Kansas City, Missouri
Sunrise Beach, Missouri
February 9—Southwest Conference—Salina, Kansas

7. Synodical Evangelism Expenses for 1958, through May 10

A. Synodical Evangelism Chairman (Administration and Expense)	$ 157.20
B. Conference Lay Schools	378.15

C. Evangelism Representatives (Training and Visits to Congregations) 228.84

Total ..... $ 755.33
Budget for 1958 ..... 2,500.00

Balance $1,744.67

Copies of the 1958 Bible Study Course, "The Way of the Witnesses," and teacher's guides, are for sale in the book store.

R. E. Schlichter, Chairman

The report on elections was given.

REPORT OF ELECTIONS

The Committee on Elections certifies that the following have been elected by the 90th Annual Convention of the Central States Synod to their respective positions:

Secretary—The Rev. Hugo Welchert

Treasurer—Mr. Paul H. Palmquist

Executive Committee

Mr. John Langmacher (1961)
Mr. Kenneth Johnson (1961)
The Rev. A. C. Baughman (1961)
The Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, D.D. (1961)
The Rev. George Eller (1959)

Committee on Home Missions

The Rev. Richard Jobman (1961)
The Rev. Leland H. Lesher, D.D. (1961)
Dr. John Geiger (1961)
Mr. Gilbert Haugen (1961)
The Rev. Calvin J. Naugle, D.D. (1960)

Midland College Trustees

Rev. Hugo Welchert (1961)
Rev. Ernest Tonsing (1961)
Mr. L. W. Baurele (1961)
Mr. Fred Kloepper (1961)

Central Lutheran Seminary Trustees

Rev. George Krebs (1961)
Mr. Clinton Von Seggern (1961)
Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, D.D. (1959)

Tabitha Home Trustees

The Rev. Leland H. Lesher, D.D.
The Rev. F. W. Nolte, D.D.
Mr. Herman Wellensiek

Nebraska Lutheran Social Service

Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, D.D. (1961)
Mr. William Horst (1961)

Examining Committee

Rev. Herman Goede, D.D.
Rev. S. K. de Freese

ULCA Delegates (Primary)

Clerical	Lay
Alfred W. Young	Donald Raymond
Raymond Johnson	H. W. Henricksen
Norman Schroeder	John Langmacher
Leland Lesher	Wm. Hayden
Walter Moeller	Dr. Dan Busch
Samuel Jensen	A. F. Swanson
Alfred Duis	Paul H. Palmquist
Hugo Weichert	Walter Jobman
R. R. Frobenius	Wm. F. Zimmerman
Lorin J. Wolff	Elmer Sasse
Henry Knaub	August Brei
A. H. Pinkall	Luther de Freese
Claudius Jensen	William Horst
Herman Goede	Clinton Von Seggern
Harlan Brei	Paul C. Buskirk

ULCA Delegates (Alternate)

Clerical	Lay
E. F. Tonsing	Kenneth Johnson
Vernon Jacobs	Melvin Beerman
Paul de Freese	Walter Kuenning
H. G. Ritzen	Howard Peterson
John N. Slice	Fred Kloepper
Calvin J. Naugle	Walter Gengenbach
W. F. Most	E. L. Bumgarner
Gerhard Gieschen	Rolly Adams
W. W. Alexander	Luther Monke
Walter Rowoldt	Dorwin Lamkin
Paul Dieckman	Arnold Ericksen
Ralph L. Ritzen	E. W. Holden
Louis de Freese	William Fegley
F. W. Amend	Carl Kilian
Harry R. Allen	

Respectfully submitted,
H. G. Ritzen, Chairman
Committee on Elections

The session adjourned with prayer by the Convention Chaplain.

FOURTH SESSION

May 14, 1958 — 2:00 P.M.

The Wednesday afternoon session was opened with the Memorial Service. The Necrologist of Synod, the Rev. A. H. Pinkall, D.D., spoke in tribute of the Rev. Carl H. Kemper, the Rev. Martin Koolen, D.D., the Rev. Ernest A. Walter, D.D., the Rev. John F. Schrader, D.D., the Rev. Edward C. Hansen, Mrs. Margareta Kunzendorf and Mrs. Foster L. Cress. He used as his text I Thes. 4:13.

REPORT OF NECROLOGIST

REV. CARL HENRY KEMPNER

The Rev. Carl Henry Kempner, 68 years of age, passed away on October 31, at Fremont, Nebr.

Pastor Kempner was a native of Atchison County, Mo., and a graduate of Midland College and Central Seminary.

He served congregations in Paxton, Sutherland, Hildreth, Gothenberg and Hardy, Nebr. He retired in 1953.

Pastor Kempner is survived by his wife, the former Iva Butt; his mother, Mrs. Mary Kempner, Tarkio, Mo.; four brothers, Henry, Adolph, Herbert, and Ernest; and three sisters, Mrs. Ed. Nelsen, Mrs. George Bette and Miss Bertha Kempner.

Funeral services were conducted at Salem Church, Fremont, Nebr., Nov. 4, by the Rev. Frederick D. Boldt and at St. John's Church, Westboro, Mo., by the Rev. F. W. Nolte.

The burial was at Westboro, Mo.

DR. MARTINUS KOOLEN

The Rev. Martinus Koolen, entered Life on Sunday, November 10, 1957 at the age of 83 years.

He was born November 29, 1874 at Deventer, Overjisel, Holland. He attended the Academy and Seminary of the Rhenish Mission Society and graduated in 1900.

He was ordained to the Gospel ministry by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Barmen in 1900 and commissioned as a missionary to New Guinea. He became a member of the German Nebraska Synod and served pastorates at Hartford, South Dakota and Ponca, Nebraska. In 1907 he was called to become superintendent of Tabitha Home where he served for four years. Other pastorates served were: St. Paul's, Leigh; St. John's, Leigh; St. Peter's, Creston; and Frieden's, Lincoln all in Nebraska.

He was united in marriage to Anna Johanna Kaldenberg of Hartford, S.D. in 1903. Six children were born to this union: Marty, Hans, Margaret, Gertrude, Fritz and Johanna.

He is survived by two sons, Marty of Ft. Collins, Colo., and Hans of Palo Alto, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. Margaret Leininger of Fullerton, Nebr., and Mrs. Gertrude Myers of Lexington, Nebr., and 10 grandchildren. His wife preceded him in death on May 17, 1949.

Funeral services were held at Wadlow's Mortuary conducted by Dr. L. H. Lesher on November 13 and at Frieden's Lutheran Church by Dr. Herman Goede, the Rev. H. Rhode, and Dr. Martin Schroeder. The graveside services at Wyuka Cemetery were conducted by Dr. Reno Frobenius.

MRS. MARGARETA KUNZENDORF

Mrs. Margareta Kunzendorf of Lincoln, Nebraska, widow of the late Rev. Robert Kunzendorf, passed away on Sunday afternoon, December 1, in Lincoln.

Mrs. Kunzendorf is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Sieglinda Thompson, Denver, Colorado; Mrs. Ingeborg Gather, Lincoln, Nebraska; two sons, Godfrey Kunzendorf, and Erhard Kunzendorf, both of Lincoln.

Funeral services were conducted in Frieden's Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebr., by the Rev. Herman M. Goede, assisted by the Rev. Martin Schroeder. The interment was in Wyuka Cemetery, Lincoln, Nebr.

Her husband, the Rev. Robert Kunzendorf, passed away November 16, 1937, at Emerald, Nebr. He had served parishes in Garber, Okla.; Cedar Creek, Nebr.; Hooper, Nebr.; Auburn, Nebr.; and Emerald, Nebr.

DR. ERNEST ADOLF WALTER

The Rev. Ernest Adolf Walter was born January 16, 1872 in Augstgirren, Labiau, East Prussia, Germany and passed from this life at the age of 85 years on January 2, 1958, at Lincoln, Nebr.

He attended Breklum Seminary, Province of Schleswig-Holstein in 1894, in 1895 came to the United States and enrolled in the Wartburg Seminary at Dubuque, Iowa. He was ordained at the Eleventh Convention of the German Nebraska Synod at St. Joseph, Mo., in 1898. He served parishes in Clyde, Kans.; St. John's, Bennington, Nebr.; Zion, Hooper, Nebr.; Frieden's, (Trinity), Papillion, Nebr., and Resurrection, Gretna, Nebr. In 1912 he became Superintendent of Tabitha Home, Lincoln and held this position for 23 years. He returned to the parish and served Emanuel, Hastings, Nebr. until he retired in 1948.

Dr. Walter is survived by three daughters; Mrs. Ken Kimmel, Lincoln, Nebr.; Mrs. Claude Myers and Miss Betty Ruth Walter, both of Milford, Utah; one son, Richard E. of the U.S. Navy at Norfolk, Va., eighteen grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Dr. W. W. Alexander, Lincoln, Dr. A. W. Young, Omaha, officiated at funeral services at the Tabitha Home Chapel, Monday, January 6. Burial was in Wyuka Cemetery, at Lincoln, Nebr.

MRS. FOSTER L. CRESS

Mrs. Foster L. Cress, wife of the Rev. Foster L. Cress, Walton, Nebr., passed away on Friday, January 17. She was born at Dayton, Ohio on July 1, 1905. She was married to Pastor Cress on May 8, 1929 at Springfield, Ohio. They have served parishes at Dongola, Ill.; Allen, Nebr.; and are presently at the Walton-Eagle parish, Nebr.

Mrs. Cress is survived by her husband, Foster and one son, Donald of Lincoln, Nebr. and 2 grandchildren and one brother, Oliver of Dayton, Ohio.

The funeral services were held at Grace Lutheran, Walton, Nebr. on January 20 participating in the services were Dr. A. W. Young, Dr. T. J. C. Schuldt and Dr. L. H. Lesher. The Interment was held at Wyuka Cemetery in Lincoln, Nebr.

THE REV. JOHN E. SCHRADER, D.D.

The Rev. John E. Schrader, was born May 15, 1883 in Prussia, Germany. He was called to rest on February 19 at the age of 74 years.

Pastor Schrader was ordained in 1909 at Frieden's Church, Lincoln, Nebr., he attended Western Seminary while it was located at Atchison, Kansas.

Pastor Schrader served parishes at Doniphan, Nebr., Lincoln, Nebr., Shattuck, Okla., Zion, Hooper, Nebr., St. John's, Yutan, Nebr., and St. John's, Lipscomb, Texas. Dr. Schrader was a Past-President of the former Midwest Synod. He retired in 1957 and lived in Hutchinson, Kansas since that time.

He is survived by his wife, Helen and daughter, Mrs. Louis de Freese, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. A. W. Young, and the Rev. Fred Wolff on Saturday, February 22, at Hutchinson, Kansas and by the Rev. Paul de Freese, in Zion Lutheran, Hanover, Kansas on Monday, February 24. The interment was held at Hanover, Kansas.

THE REV. EDWARD C. HANSEN

The Rev. Edward Carl Christian Hansen, was born at Wall Lake, South Dakota, July 19, 1897. He passed unto Life Eternal on March 28, 1958, at the age of 60 years.

Pastor Hansen spent most of his early life at Johnson, Nebraska. He attended Martin Luther Pro-Seminary at Lincoln, Nebraska from which he graduated in 1918. He continued his studies at Pike's Peak Seminary at Manitou, Colorado and received his degree of Sacred Theology in 1948.

He was ordained into the Gospel ministry in 1919 by his father, Pastor Jurgen A. Hansen and Dr. G. K. Wiencke at Riverdale, Nebraska, and served a parish there, established a mission at Kearney, Nebraska. Succeeding charges were: St. John's, Norfolk, St. John's, Ohiowa, St. Matthew, Johnson, and United Lutheran, Lincoln, all in Nebraska and St. Paul's, Northboro, Iowa.

From 1937 to 1954 he served as statistician, archivist, and necrologist for the Midwest Synod and during 1954-55 he served as statistician for the Central States Synod.

He was united in marriage with Emma C. Tiemann and to this union three children were born: Paul who is serving as a missionary in British Guiana, Roland, who is Business Manager for our Mission field in Malaya and Gertrude who is at home.

Pastor Hansen leaves his wife and three children and three grandchildren, his mother and brother Walter of Stillwater, Okla. and Ralph of Carthage, Ill. to survive him.

Funeral services were held on April 2, at United Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska, with the following pastors officiating: President of Synod, Alfred W. Young, Dr. Herman Goede, and Dr. Lorin Wolff. Burial was in the Johnson, Nebraska cemetery.

A. H. Pinkall, Necrologist

The Chairman on Reference and Counsel recommended the following additions to the program: Committee on Home Missions to be heard after the Kansas Lutheran Foundation reports, and after the Home Missions Report, the Report of the Trustees of Tabitha Home; and that Missions Ten be in connection with the United Lutheran Church Men report. Recommendation adopted.

The Report of the Committee of the Board of Trustees of Midland College was presented by the Rev. E. F. Tonsing. Dr. Paul W. Dieckman, President of the College spoke to the convention. An invitation was extended to the Synod to hold a convention of the Synod in the near future on the Midland College campus.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MIDLAND COLLEGE

The members of the Board of Trustees of Midland College, elected by the Central States Synod, take pleasure in submitting the following report to the constituency.

"The proper education of youth is a matter in which Christ and the world are concerned," declared Martin Luther. It was this common concern that stirred our Church fathers more than three score and ten years ago and thus brought into being Midland College. Midland was conceived in the spirit of Christian service—to the students who have come to it for their formal education, to the Church which had sponsored it and whose support has enabled it to grow and to the State and Nation to whom it has striven to make contribution of constructive human activity.

It is entirely possible that the years 1958-1968 will be as critical, decisive and challenging as the first seventy years of Midland's history. The next decade will undoubtedly present some immediate and practical problems which must be faced creatively and imaginatively. One of these problems will most certainly be growth in all proportions. In this regard we are persuaded that at our church schools we have a special problem. If we really believe in our kind of education, we cannot become a small, precious, intellectual island in the sea of human need and human hope. Rather, we must be ready to accept the challenges that will affect our intellectual and spiritual climate and be ready for growth.

Enrollment

Growth entails responsibilities and opportunities. Midland college began the school year 1957-58 with a record enrollment of 489 students in the day session and 216 registered in the Evening Session, or an over all enrollment of 705 students. Thus for the fourth consecutive year there was an increase in the number of students enrolled at the College. (For the past four years the average increase has been 9%, 7%, 10%, 10%). The second semester enrollment is normally nine to seventeen percent lower than the fall semester, however, this year the percentage of difference is merely one percent, with 485 students registering the second semester, or a twelve percent increase over the same period of a year ago.

The Lutheran enrollment also continues its upward climb with 74% of the student body being members of the Lutheran Church—for this we give thanks always, but we continue to urge you to send more well-qualified Lutheran boys and girls toward Midland College.

It is interesting to note the increasing interest of business in liberal arts graduates. An increasing number of firms are interviewing and employing our graduates. It is also interesting to note that more and more of our students are being interviewed for graduate fellowships and scholarships.

Faculty

Very few major changes occurred during the past year. One newly created post will be filled this fall, in the field of education. A new member has been procured to teach Psychology and Parish Work. We believe that this will be extremely helpful to the work of the Church and the proper training of young women particularly.

During the year one member of the faculty has benefited under the educational leave program authorized by the Board of Trustees. He is taking post-doctral work at the University of Chicago. For next year a member of the faculty is being granted a leave of absence to study at the University of Minnesota under a Danforth Teacher Study Grant.

Midland Auxiliaries

The Midland Women and the Men of Midland have continued their splendid support of the College. During the year just past the Midland Women purchased new chancel equipment for the College Chapel and have as their current project the refurnishing of new window shades and drapes for the Chapel. The Men of Midland have had as their latest project the complete refurnishing of the College Dining Hall. These auxiliaries have also shown an increase in membership and their effectiveness in service to the College continues to multiply.

Religious Life

The Rev. Henry B. Kleinert became the College Chaplain this past fall and has aided in creating a deeper sense of religious responsibility among the students. Chapel services are conducted each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, with students taxing the facilities to their capacity.

The Chaplain serves as a counselor to the men and women students who are looking forward to careers in Church vocations. Last October there were 60 students who had indicated the ministry as their vocational choice, 13 had chosen Parish Work, 1 Foreign Mission Work, 1 Director of Religious Education, 1 Church Music, 1 Church Social Work and 1 Church Institutional Business Manager. In addition, there were two young men preparing for the ministry in other denominations.

Church Vocations was stressed during the recent visit of Dr. Mildred Winston and Dr. Vernon Strempke, of the Board of Higher Education of the U.L.C.A. For several days they met with students in the dormitories discussing summer work and future vocations as related to the Church.

Midland College is grateful to the Board of Higher Education for their continuing guidance and helpfulness and especially the aid rendered by Dr. Gould Wickey and the members of his staff.

The Lutheran Student Association continued its energetic program throughout the year participating actively in the Campus Community Chest and local church programs.

Finance

Midland College again ended the fiscal year with a small operating surplus as shown in the appended balance sheet. This is the fourth year consecutively that we have been able to operate within our income. This occurred despite rather heavy expenditures in carrying out our program of refurnishing campus buildings.

Faculty and staff salaries were increased slightly in the fall and will need to be increased each year at an even greater pace if we are to continue to maintain scholarly faculty members. There is a growing competition for well trained scholars because of rising enrollments and the continued increase in the cost of living, all compete with business or the wealthier colleges and universities, but we must do the best we can.
of which makes this problem more acute each year. We can never

As of this writing there is still an indebtedness of $50,000 on the addition to the women's dormitory. It is hoped that the congregation of the Central States Synod will feel inclined to continue as rapidly as possible their giving toward the Midland Appeal, so that this indebtedness may be paid and that other much needed buildings may not be delayed unduly. In order to carry forward the development program to its ultimate conclusion your church college will need the full support of each congregation.

The Future

Now and in the decade immediately before us the Church, more than any other part of our society, has the right and duty to be concerned about its educational program. More than once as members of the Church, we will need to raise our eyes to the hills from where time struggles to become eternity, the serene, high and holy hills where wisdom and faith meet.

The Church on all sides is having a problem of preparing a sufficient number of pastors and leaders. The need is ever increasing. The need for greater facilities and the training of the young in our schools demands the attention of the Church. Our Church educational institutions are not only the heart of the Church, they are its very life.

The Trustees, Faculty and Administration will appreciate your prayers, your encouragement and your unfailing support as we face the tremendous challenge of the coming decade. To each of you and to our God we express our sincerest gratitude for all that you have done and all that you plan to do for your Church College.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul W. Dieckman
President

Operating Statement
June 1, 1956 - May 31, 1957

Income:

Educational and General	$195,355
Endowment	21,988
Gifts and Grants	131,939
Auxiliary Enterprises	202,346
Other Income	5,432
	$557,060

Expense:

Educational and General	$323,620
Endowment Fund	8,138
Auxiliary Enterprises	190,828
Non-Educational Expense	31,806
	$554,392
Net operating Gain for the Year	$ 2,668

The report of the Director of the Midland Appeal was presented by the Rev. Arthur M. Knudsen.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MIDLAND APPEAL

The Midland APPEAL has been conducted with continued emphasis through the year 1957. And it is not contemplated to close it at the end of 1958. Indeed, it should not be completed until every congregational quota has been paid in full, and every possible dollar has been contributed toward providing the urgently needed new buildings at the college.

This is an appeal for capital funds. All the monies given to this cause have been utilized or set aside for building purposes. Not a dollar or a dime of the Midland Appeal funds is used for operating costs, or to meet the current expenses of the college. Fortunately the college has operated in the black for the past five years, which is cause for special gratitude.

Last year we reported on the observance of Midland Festival Sunday throughout the congregations of Synod, and the distribution of special Midland Appeal envelopes to our people. It has been gratifying to observe the use of these envelopes by most of our congregations, and the regular contributions of many of our faithful members month after month.

For the first time since the Midland Appeal was launched we reached our monthly quota in December, 1957. Over the three year period we should have received $250,000 each year, or an average of approximately $20,000 per month. In December the income for the Appeal was $22,000! Naturally that gave momentary satisfaction to us all. And it has been our hope that it would really set the pattern for giving for the coming year.

Our gratitude goes out to the pastors and congregations that have cooperated loyally in support of the Appeal. They have opened their services to the presentation of the cause. Every Sunday throughout the year the cause has been publicized in one or more congregations. They have placed the Midland Appeal in their budgets indicating their purpose to cooperate and their intention to respond to the needs of the Appeal. They have distributed the literature that has been made available. And scores of congregations inserted the special Midland Appeal offering envelopes in their 1958 cartons or packets of envelopes. And what is more important, many of them have given generously to pay their quotas in full or in large part, and some few have gone beyond the 100 percent payment. If all the congregations had done as well as those described in this paragraph the total result would have tripled or quadrupled the total receipts.

Of course it is regrettable when there are evidences of indifference or noncooperation. The years of drought in our area were a period of testing and trial. But thanks to a good and gracious God we had a good year in 1957, and have the prospects of another good year in 1958. God does not expect us to give what we do not have, but He does require us to share His gifts to us with others. No pastor or layman dare stand between our college and the people. The channels must be kept open. Members of our parishes sometimes report that they do not have the special Midland Appeal envelopes, and wish that like other congregations they might have used them, too. They do not want to be protected from the appeals of the Lord and His work.

It has been a genuine satisfaction to speak on the behalf of the college to the congregations of our synod. There is need for continued publicity. Our people should constantly be informed about the college and its opportunities, about the service it has given through the years, about the place it fills in the work of our congregations and communities. It has been a mighty factor in building our synod, and fills a worthy place in the activities of our congregations. An increasing number of our young people have been attending the college, and the reports of their work and satisfaction are a great encouragement. We can with confidence invite any young people contemplating a college education to enroll at Midland College.

The goal of $750,000 for the Midland Appeal is not an impossible sum. It is an attainable goal. We can get it if we give it. We can if we will, with God's help.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur M. Knudsen

Motion prevailed to give Dr. Knudsen a rising vote of thanks in appreciation of his work.

Report of Central Lutheran Theological Seminary was presented by the Rev. Harvey Clark. The Rev. E. R. Keisler, D.D., President of the Seminary, addressed the Synod.

CENTRAL LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Under the blessings of Almighty God, and through the increasing support accorded it, Central Seminary continues its forward march into the confidence of the Church, the interest and the love of our people, and unto the position necessary for the most effective performance of the task and privilege assigned it by God and His Church.

The enrollment for the year is 43. Among those there are 11 Seniors, 15 Middlers, 8 Juniors, 4 Specials, and 5 Interns. Of the total, 28 represent the Synod in the Central States; 3 come from the Iowa Synod; 3 are from the Rocky Mountain Synod; and 2 from the Texas and Louisiana Synod. Other U.L.C.A. Synods represented are: the Illinois with one; the Pacific Southwest with two; and the Wartburg with one. Two come from the U.E.L.C., and two are non-Lutherans. All except eight are married. Even though 22 of the students come to us from Midland College, there are 15 other colleges and universities represented.

For the first time in our history we have enjoyed the services of seven full-time men on the faculty. Beginning his work last fall, the Rev. Wesley J. Fuerst (candidate for Princeton Seminary's Th.D., in June) was installed as the Professor of Old Testament on February 5. Made financially possible by the deeply appreciated generosity of Messrs. John and Kermit Wagner, father and son, respectively, of Schuyler, Nebraska, who, in memory of their wife and mother, established the Anna M. Wagner Memorial Professorship of the New Testament, the Rev. Wilhelm C. Linss, Th.D. (Boston University), served the past academic year as guest professor in that department. So effective has been his work that at the end of the first semester the Board of Directors extended him a call as permanent professor. He has accepted, and his installation is tentatively set for next fall.

With a large preponderance of married students our fifteen apartments are not nearly sufficient to meet the demand. A large per cent of our married students must find housing wherever they can. Some thought on the part of the Board's Committee on Buildings and Grounds has been given to the matter of providing additional space in our buildings in order to take care of needed equipment in the library, and the shortage of professor's offices.

While we are in constant need of more funds than are available, we are, nevertheless, profoundly grateful for the generous support of the Synods as such, and of the individuals and smaller groups throughout our territory and beyond. According to the books kept by the Office Secretary the amounts contributed during the calendar year 1957 by the four supporting Synods are:

Synod	Budgeted Apportionment	Received	Ind. & Groups
Central States	$29,808	$29,707	$9,594
Iowa	$13,500	$14,355.25	$ 780
Rocky Mountain	$ 6,000	$ 5,936	$ 55
Texas and Louisiana	$ 3,500	$ 3,204	$ 367
From Alumni and Friends beyond your territory			$ 453

In some instances a part of the amounts under Apportionment was intended for the preceding year.

It is the earnest hope of the Board of Directors that no one of our four supporting Synods will be satisfied with anything less than the minimum of 75c per communing member per year, for operational expense. Anything less than that hampers the Seminary in its work.

The Internship Program is becoming increasingly popular with our congregations, and provides experience of incalculable value to the student. Nine of this year's Middlers plan to intern next year. Rules and regulations concerning the program have been formulated by the faculty and approved by the Board of Directors. For the most effective and satisfactory administration of the program the rules and regulations should be closely followed.

Made financially possible by the U.L.C.A. Board of Christian Higher Education, and attended by no less than two hundred, the 1958 Annual series of the Pre-Lenten Lectures was held on February 4-6. These lectures are becoming an increasingly significant feature of our program, and provide one way by which the Seminary is enabled to be of service to the Pastors on the field, as well as to near-by interested laymen.

Again this year Central Seminary Sunday was observed, most appropriately, on The Second Sunday after Easter—sometimes called "Good Shepherd Sunday." To the extent that they were requested, Sunday bulletins were provided for congregations, and to the extent that the faculty and student personnel permitted and were requested, speakers appeared in our congregations. Both of these services were without cost to the congregations. It becomes increasingly evident that our people are both able and willing to supply the financial needs of the Seminary when they are made acquainted with them.

The Board of Directors would commend to the favorable consideration of all our people Central Seminary as an institution eminently worthy of their interest, prayers, and gifts during their lives, as well as of a share, through their last will and testament, in their estates. Our age calls loudly for more and for better trained ministers. These can be provided only through adequately equipped and manned theological seminaries. "The future of the Church, under God, will be determined by its Theological Seminaries."

Persuaded of its divine mission and mindful of the loyal and generous support accorded it in the past, Central Seminary thanks God and takes courage and, soliciting the continued interest, prayers and benefactions of those who love Christ and His Church, looks forward with confidence.

Henry W. Opperman,
Chairman, Board of Directors

A report of the Committee on Student Work in Non-Lutheran Schools was presented by the Rev. Wm. F. Most.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF STUDENTS IN NON-LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

Kansas Area

The Lutheran Students of Kansas City, Missouri University, Junior College, Kansas City, Missouri, and the Students at the Kansas University Medical Center, Kansas City, Kansas, as well as the Schools of Nursing in the many hospitals, continue to be served by the local pastors . . . and their congregations.

Emporia State, Emporia, Kansas. Contact Pastor Sherman Frederick of St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

Kansas State, Manhattan, Kansas. Student Counsellor on campus.

Kansas University, Lawrence, Kansas. Pastor Harold Hamilton, contact Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church. Barbara Asbury, graduate assistant.

Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma. Pastor A. Duis is contact pastor. Pastor of Salem Lutheran Church.

Rev. Harry B. Hull is the contact pastor at the Hays State College, Hays, Kansas.

Nebraska Area

Omaha University—continuing an active campus L.S.A. organization. Contact Pastor Maynard Hansen, Pastor of St. Timothy Lutheran Church (Aug. Synod).

Wayne State, Wayne Nebraska. Contact Pastor S. K. de Freese, Pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church.

Kearney State, Kearney, Nebraska. Contact Pastor Ronald Ebb of First Lutheran Church.

The Kansas Lutheran Student Foundation met for its regular meeting in Manhattan, Kansas, May 1, 1958.

The Foundation Executive Board voted to purchase a house adjacent to the campus of Kansas State College, Manhattan, for use as a Student Foundation Center. The purchase price is $17,000 with $5,000 available to make necessary repairs and alterations.

The Lutheran Student Association functions will still be carried on at First Lutheran Church (Aug.), Tenth and Poyntz Ave.

The Foundation Center now contains quarters for a resident supervisor, class and recreation areas.

Members of the Foundation Executive Committee representing the Central States Synod are: Dr. George Anderson, Treasurer; Pastor Ernest F. Tonsing, Vice President; Pastor Wm. Most, and Pastor Paul Rowoldt.

Anticipated income and budget for 1958: Grant in aid NLC $2,000; Synod, Conferences, Districts $1,050; Memberships and contributions and gifts $1,050 . . . Total $4,311.88 (this total includes a balance of $211.88 from 1957 budget).

Respectfully Submitted,
W. F. Most, Chairman

The Rev. Alvin M. Petersen presented the report of the Nebraska Lutheran Student Foundation.

LUTHERAN STUDENT FOUNDATION
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

Official Status

At last year's convention, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States adopted a resolution encouraging the Lutheran Student Foundation of Lincoln to amend its Articles of Incorporation so that the Foundation would become an official agency of the NLC church bodies in Nebraska. Similar resolutions were adopted by the other constituent bodies in Nebraska.

The Foundation is therefore presenting to the convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod the proposed amended Articles of Incorporation for approval. If approved by all NLC church bodies having congregations in Nebraska, the Foundation at its annual meeting in January, 1959, will adopt the amended Articles, thus effecting official status. Hereafter, then, the members of the Board of Directors will be designated by the church bodies on a per capita basis.

Building Program, Phase II

On February 6 the Lutheran Student Foundation signed a contract with the Walter J. Broer Construction Firm of Lincoln to build the worship addition. The contract was signed for $46,797, which will complete the first floor (the chapel) without the balcony and leaving the basement unfinished. Students, board members, and friends of student work are currently in a campaign to raise $2,277, the cost of the balcony, in the hope that it might also be included while construction is in progress. The main floor of the worship addition is expected to be ready for use this fall. It will mean a great deal in our ministry to students in Lincoln to have a sanctuary for the Sunday worship. This is now the fifth year that the lounge has been used for that purpose, and students are anticipating the use of the new chapel.

Ministry

Our ministry includes worship, teaching, counseling, calling, and recruiting. Of the over 800 NLC students about one half avail themselves of the ministry and the use of the student center. The Lutheran Student Association, the Grad. Club, Mr. and Mrs. Club, Faculty Fellowship, the choir, and International Student Fellowship are among the active and interested groups. Through

the Cotner School of Religion, owned by the Disciples of Christ, a two hour course in "Basic Christian Ethics" is taught by a Lutheran professor from Central Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska. Credit is given for this course. There is a possibility that this area of our ministry may be expanded.

During the past year two students have been baptized and five confirmed. A class of eight are now being instructed for membership. 321 different people attended communion in 1957 at the worship services at the Lutheran Student House. Eight students are preparing for the ministry or other church related vocations.

Current Budget

The Foundation receives support from various sources. In 1957 the breakdown was as follows: $4,100 from NLC; $6,823.15 from church bodies in Nebraska; ($3,222 from the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Central States); $1,522.05 from organizations and individuals as gifts. The student Sunday offerings totaled $1,768.16, and $727.92 came from miscellaneous sources, a total of $14,941.28. For 1959, the Foundation is requesting 12 cents per confirmed member for the church bodies based on the constituents within Nebraska.

Your Concern

The ministry on the Nebraska University campus and to other students in Lincoln is your ministry. Through your support our students and faculty are being confronted with the gospel and the call to dedication and service. The Division of College and University Work and the Lutheran Student Foundation express gratitude for your continued concern, prayers, and interest.
March 20, 1958

Alvin M. Petersen
Lutheran Campus Pastor

A motion prevailed to approve the Articles of Incorporation of the Lutheran Student Foundation as recommended.

PROPOSED AMENDED
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF
the
LUTHERAN STUDENT FOUNDATION, INC.
of Lincoln, Nebraska

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we, the undersigned, having associated ourselves together for the purpose of forming a non-profit corporation pursuant to Article 15 of Chapter 21, of the 1943 Revised Statutes of the State of Nebraska, said corporation to be the successor of the unincorporated University Lutheran Student Committee, do hereby make, execute and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

I. **Name**—The name of this Corporation shall be LUTHERAN STUDENT FOUNDATION, INC., of Lincoln, Nebraska.

II. **Place of Business and Resident Agent**—The principal place of transacting the business of this Corporation shall be in Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, and its resident agent is ALVIN M. PETERSEN, 535 North 16th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. (After Amendment)

III. **Objects and Purposes**—The general nature of the business to be transacted by this Corporation shall be to promote the spiritual, moral and social welfare of the Students at Lincoln, Nebraska, and such other places in Nebraska as circumstances dictate and finances permit, in accordance with the precepts of the Christian faith and religion as interpreted and taught by the Evangelical Lutheran Church; to receive and administer funds for that purpose; to take and hold by bequest, devise, gift, purchase, or lease, either absolutely or in trust, for any of its objects and purposes, any property, real, personal or mixed, without limitations as to the amount or value, except such limitations as shall be imposed by law; to own, hold, use, enjoy, convey, sell and encumber such property and to invest or re-invest the principal thereof and make such use of or expend the income and other funds of the Foundation in such manner as in the judgment of the Board of Directors will best promote its objects; to establish and administer endowment funds for the benefit of the Corporation and its work; and in general to do all things necessary and incidental to the successful carrying out of the purpose of this Corporation consistent with the laws of Nebraska. The Board of Directors shall have the power to adopt By-Laws and establish rules and regulations necessary and proper to carry into effect the powers herein set forth and authorized by law. (After Amendment)

IV. **Time of Commencement**—The time of the commencement of this Corporation shall be the 17th day of June, 1947, and shall have perpetual existence.

V. **Capital Stock and Dividends**—This Corporation shall have no capital stock and shall declare no dividends.

VI. **Indebtedness**—The highest amount of indebtedness to which the Corporation shall at any time subject itself shall not exceed the value of the property owned by it and no member shall be personally liable for any corporate debts.

VII. **Officers**—The affairs of the Corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors of not less than five to be elected annually by the membership of the Foundation, at such times and places and in such manner as may be provided for by the By-Laws. The number of Directors shall be determined as follows: Each constituent Lutheran Church body having congregations in Nebraska and affiliated with the National Lutheran Council or its successors shall have one (1) Director for every Four thousand (4,000) or major fraction thereof of confirmed members in Nebraska, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that each such constituent Lutheran Church

body shall have at least one (1) Director. All Board members shall be members of the Lutheran Church. Such Board of Directors shall elect from its membership in accordance with the By-Laws, a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer who shall all be members of the Executive Committee together with any such other members as shall be provided for by the By-Laws (After Amendment)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto affixed our signatures this 24th day of May, 1947, A.D., at Lincoln, Nebraska.

A motion prevailed that the Executive Committee be instructed to name the Board of Directors of the Lutheran Student Foundation.

A report of the Committee on Home Missions was presented by Dr. Reno R. Frobenius. The Rev. Calvin Naugle, D.D., addressed the convention as a member of The Board of American Missions.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Missions program of the Central States Synod has undergone changing supervision during the past year. Dr. A. W. Young, President of Synod, operating from his Tabitha Home office in Lincoln, Nebraska, and Dr. Reno R. Frobenius, Chairman of the Home Missions Committee, operating from his church in St. Joseph, Missouri, carried on the program during the first half of the year. Dr. Young came to the Synodical office in early summer, and Dr. Frobenius accepted the call as Assistant to the President and Secretary of Home Missions, and came to the Synodical office August 15 of the past year.

Considerable lag in home missions business and records developed during the change of Synodical leadership and during the period without any Synodical officers operating from the Central States Synod office. Much time has been consumed in picking up back records, and completing transactions and escrows that have been left open, as well as getting acquainted with the new mission fields and Board procedures. Those who are familiar with Board of American Missions procedures know that there are many forms and reports required in the transactions of mission properties and in the other phases of the home missions program. It is anticipated that with a special staff member devoting much of his time to this one phase of the program of Synod there can be closer supervision of the home missions work of Synod, and more help provided for the mission pastors.

The Home Missions Committee has held quarterly meetings during the past year, and quarterly reports were made to the Executive Committee.

Every member of the Home Missions Committee has taken great pride and interest in seeing the home missions program of the Central States Synod move ahead. Most heartening has been the progress made in the establishment of new missions in our larger metropolitan areas. There have been problems too, and members of the Synodical committee and Synodical officers have

given many hours of time and thought endeavoring to solve these problems in some of the mission fields.

There are missions that will make normal progress. Others were started in very limited fields. One of these was closed. Consideration has been given to closing two others. Some of the missions in southern areas are good missions, but simply will be slower in development. The staff and committee are seeking Board of American Mission assurance of better financial help and a longer period to become self-supporting for these southern fields.

We take this means to extend special thanks, a very heartfelt thanks, to every home missionary who served on the territory of Synod this past year. They are courageous pioneers, energetic, consecrated, and hard working men. We give thanks to God for such devoted service.

New Missions Organized

BETHEL, KANSAS (KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, WEST), PRINCE OF PEACE. The missionary, the Rev. Frederick J. Juilfs, began work in this promising field June 1, 1956. The congregation was formally organized April 29, 1957, and was received into Synod last year. The mission has had the first year of its building and lot fund drive, has recently purchased church lots, and is looking forward to good development in the future.

COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, ST. ANDREW. The Rev. Morris Niedenthal, mission developer, came to this field July 1, 1957. Services were begun in September and the congregation was formally organized February 9, 1958, with 75 charter members. Attendance at the organization service was 157, and special offering on that day was $862. This new church has made application to be received into the Central States Synod at this convention. In addition to its regular services, this mission will be able to serve Lutheran students in this educational center in Columbia, where there are 12,000 students attending the University of Missouri, Stephens Girl's College, and Christian College. The mission has a fine parsonage with an excellent recreation room where Lutheran Student Association and other groups of the congregation may meet. The mission is now in the process of purchasing church lots and looks forward to excellent progress in the future.

MIDWEST CITY, OKLAHOMA. Work had been started in this field by two former pastors in 1956. The Rev. Fred Henkel entered the field as mission organizer February 20, 1957. The first church service was held June 16 of last year. Under the leadership of this experienced mission organizer the mission has prospered and was formally organized March 30, 1958, with approximately 70 charter members. The congregation is applying for admission into Synod at this convention. Since Pastor Henkel is serving as organizer of missions for the Board of American Missions, he will leave the field this spring and another regular pastor will be called. The mission is in the process of purchasing church lots. This congregation in this suburb of Oklahoma City adjacent to the

large Tinker Air Base, experiences considerable turnover in membership, but looks forward to growth into an excellent congregation.

New Fields Entered But Not Organized

DURANT, OKLAHOMA, OUR SAVIOUR. The Rev. Earl F. Heuser began work in this mission field on November 1, 1956, as mission developer. Some preliminary work had been done by one of the students of Central Lutheran Seminary. The church services that had already been started were continued. They were first held in a public school building and later in quarters adjacent to the parsonage. Purchase of a house-chapel on a main street in Durant was completed in January, 1958, and the building dedicated February 16. The mission now has about 36 charter members. This is a southern community with a limited number of Lutherans and the community itself is growing very little in population, but pastor and people look forward to continued growth in attendance until the congregation can be organized with a substantial number of charter members, possibly some time in 1959.

HAYSVILLE, KANSAS, RESURRECTION. The Rev. Leo R. Nielsen, organizer, began work in this field in January, 1957, and the first church service was held June 30, 1957. Services have been held temporarily in the parsonage recreation room in the basement. At the time of the preparation of this report steps were being taken to purchase church lots and also to erect a house-chapel. A total of 35 persons have already expressed an interest in becoming charter members, and with the new worship facilities it is anticipated that this mission will make regular growth toward organization, in this growing community which is a suburb of Wichita.

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS. Mission organizer, the Rev. Clarence Rhoda, began work in this field September 1, 1956, on a service and survey assignment basis under the direction of the Board of American Missions. Later supervision was transferred to the Home Missions Committee of the Central States Synod. First church services were held November 4, 1956. The services have been held in a rented kindergarten school hall, but the mission organizer and steering committee are now taking steps to secure a house-chapel in which to hold services. Approximately 30 persons have indicated their interest in becoming charter members of this proposed Lutheran Church. There are a limited number of Lutherans in this large city in central Arkansas, and the work is further complicated by some ill will that has developed toward northern churches due to the racial conflict in the city. However, the pastor reports gradual increase in attendance at the church services and anticipates the development of a mission congregation in this city, even though it will take longer than many fields.

SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, MESSIAH. Mission developer, the Rev. John L. Rinde, began work in this field February 1, 1958. The Rev. Loyal Mortensen had served as mission developer from February 1, 1956, until December 31, 1957. Services were begun in May, 1956, and have been held in the central YMCA. Church

lots were purchased for this mission in the spring of 1957. Some of the additional ground was sold off in January, 1958. Plans for a house-chapel were developed by the former pastor, the Rev. Loyal Mortensen, and construction was begun in February, 1958, under Pastor Rinde's guidance. Approximately 40 persons have indicated an interest in becoming charter members of this mission. With the house-chapel to be completed this month, May, Pastor, Steering Committee, and Synodical officers look forward to increased and more rapid development of this mission.

SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA. The Rev. O. Robert Hibbeler began work in this field December 1, 1957, in conjunction with the church at Hardy, Nebraska. The Rev. Alvin Hansen had served as mission developer in this field from April 4, 1957 to August, 1957. Approximately 35 persons have indicated an interest in becoming members of this new mission. Services are being held in a banquet room in a hotel. The congregation is now seeking church lots and making plans to secure a building of its own for church services and group meetings. This mission should develop into a substantial congregation in time.

VALENTINE, NEBRASKA. Work was begun in this field on February 16, 1956, by a mission developer. Even though the mission congregation had erected a small building for its own use, the mission did not develop as anticipated. The field was also considered quite limited in possibilities, and there was the difficulty of securing another pastor after the first pastor had resigned. Consultation between Board of American Missions officials, Synodical officers, and the Home Missions Committee resulted in a decision to discontinue salary aid to this field and to take steps toward closing it as a U.L.C. mission.

Board Approved Fields To Be Entered

Three new fields have been approved by the Board of American Missions for occupancy and will be entered by organizers June 1, 1958. They are: Kansas City, Missouri, northwest, along Hi-way 1; Muskogee, Oklahoma, and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, northwest. Calls to be organizers in these fields have been extended by the Board to Seniors graduating from seminaries this spring. It is anticipated that the calls will be accepted by each of the developers being called, and that final decisions will be known by the time of the Convention of Synod.

All of these fields offer good opportunities for development, and the Home Missions Committee and members of Synod will follow their growth with interest.

Survey of Fields

The following fields have been surveyed in the past year; reports have been received on some and others are awaiting disposition:

Hiawatha, Kansas
St. Joseph, Missouri (east)
Omaha, Nebraska (north)
Omaha, Nebraska (south)

Plattsmouth, Nebraska (south)
Lincoln, Nebraska (South Hills)
Kansas City, Missouri (southeast)
Norman, Oklahoma

The following fields are allocated and scheduled for survey this year:

Ardmore, Oklahoma
Okmulgee, Oklahoma
Lawton, Oklahoma
Ogallala, Nebraska
Marysville, Kansas
Wichita, Kansas, west
Kansas City, Missouri, NE along Hi-way 10
Liberty, Missouri

In addition these fields are held for survey at a later time or for later disposition:

Wichita, Kansas, NW
Jefferson City, Missouri
Kansas City, Missouri, E and SE areas
Kansas City, Missouri, Weatherby Lake area
(secured as an extension of present NW KC)
Topeka, Kansas
Norton, Kansas
Arkansas City, Kansas
Johnson County, Kansas (Merriam and Shawnee)
Neosho, Missouri
Tulsa, Oklahoma, NE

N.L.C. Regional Home Missions Committees

The following pastors have been appointed by the Board of American Missions to represent the United Lutheran Church for the two Regional Home Missions Committees whose jurisdiction covers the territory of the Central States Synod:

Nebraska Regional: The Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.
The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D.
Topeka Regional: The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D.
The Rev. Calvin J. Naugle, D.D.

The Board of American Missions

Special thanks are extended to members of the staff of the Board of American Missions for their help in carrying on home missions work on the territory of the Central States Synod. Board staff members with whom we have had contact in the program during the past year are: Dr. Donald L. Houser and Dr. R. H. Gerberding, Executive Secretaries; Dr. Elwood L. Bowman and Mr. Frederick W. Bowman, Division of Church Extension; Dr. Karl S. Henry, Division of Survey and Research; the Rev. Merle G. Franke, Division of English Missions; and the Rev. Theodore A. Hartig and Dr. Paul Kirsch, Division of Special Missions.

In 1957 the Board of American Missions granted $68,523 to missions in the Central States Synod for salaries and expenses. In the same year church extension loans to missions in Synod reached a total of $565,104.

Revolving Fund

One of the great needs for further home missions development in the Synod is a larger revolving fund for interim financing. Because of a lag of six to eighteen months in securing money from the Board of American Missions for financing of parsonages, church lot purchases, and construction of house-chapels, the Synod has had to provide interim financing. Arrangements have been made at the U. S. National Bank in Omaha for borrowing up to $50,000. Many U.L.C. synods have revolving funds of from $100,000 to $350,000 provided by gifts, loans from banks, loans from individuals, churches, and otherwise.

In the next eighteen months the Home Missions Committee and Synod will be asked to provide interim financing from $4,500 to $7,000 each for 9 parsonages, 8 church site purchases, 9 house-chapels or other first worship facilities, totalling about $160,000. Some of this will be repaid in the period. A total of $52,950 is now loaned to missions from Synodical missions funds and bank loans.

The Home Missions and Executive Committees are recommending a plan for increasing the revolving funds of Synod for this short term interim financing for missions.

Missions Ten

The Brotherhood of Synod is promoting the Missions Ten program in the Central States Synod. Gratitude is expressed to the men of the Brotherhood for their efforts in sponsoring this project. Membership has grown to over 700.

A second appeal is extended to members to respond to the call made last winter. On this last call only about 450 have responded to date and have sent in their special annual gift of ten dollars each.

These Mission Ten funds are administered by the Home Missions Committee, and are used for the beginning tools for new missions, such as mimeographs, typewriters, and chairs, and also for direct grants and for loans.

Board Missions

ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA, ST. JOHN'S UNITED. Organized in 1950. The Rev. Royce Scherf began his ministry in this field January 1, 1957. The congregation has made definite progress during the past year. Some growth of membership is reported, contributions have increased, indebtedness has been reduced, and benevolence contributions have substantially increased. Indebtedness with the Board of American Missions has been adjusted temporarily, and the congregation looks forward to a further debt reduction

effort. Growth in other areas is also evident. The congregation has a fine church edifice dedicated in 1953. 1957 Board aid, $1,080.

BELLEVUE, NEBRASKA, IMMANUEL. Organized 1944. The Rev. Paul H. Koenig began his ministry there in October, 1956. The property consists of parsonage, church edifice, and adjacent house used for Sunday School purposes. The congregation should continue to make steady progress in this suburb of Omaha. 1957 Board aid, $780.

BROKEN BOW, NEBRASKA, OUR SAVIOUR. This mission was organized December 18, 1955. The pastor accepted the call to another field and concluded his ministry there December 1, 1957. The field has some limitations and the mission has had some financial problems making it necessary for it to secure special financial help from the Home Missions Committee. The mission has a church site and parsonage. After another pastor enters the field and the congregation makes progress in membership, it should look forward to the erection of the first unit of its church building. 1957 Board aid, $2,580.

GREAT BEND, KANSAS, ST. MARK'S. This congregation was organized in 1952. The Rev. Grant Van Boening has been pastor since 1954. Reports indicate a steady growth in the membership and finances of the congregation. The property consists of a parsonage and an attractive church edifice. 1957 Board aid, $1,620.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, BETHLEHEM. Organized in 1948. The Rev. Wm. S. Rizer has served as pastor since 1956. The property consists of an attractive first unit church building, parsonage and church lots. The congregation has raised the necessary funds for its second unit, and hopes to start construction this early summer. With these new facilities there will be continued growth and progress in this mission. The 1957 Board aid was $720. The mission received $720 in 1957 and became self-supporting at the end of 1957, and is to be congratulated on taking this step in advance of the regular schedule.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, REFORMATION. The Rev. Robert D. Hamilton has been pastor of this congregation since February 1, 1957. The mission was organized in 1955. Because of being vacant for a time and large expenditures for church lots and a house-chapel, the mission has had unusually heavy financial obligations this past year. It is making progress in catching up, and hopes that 1958 will be a better year. The congregation and Synod are refinancing the first mortgages on the church lot. Pastor and people look forward to increase in church membership, financial receipts, and substantial growth in the future in this very promising field. 1957 Board aid, $3,000.

LEE'S SUMMIT, MISSOURI, MARTIN LUTHER. This congregation was organized December 11, 1955. The Rev. Glen J. Bolick served as pastor for fifteen months, terminating his ministry in this field to accept another call in June, 1957. The Rev. John K. Shirck began his pastorate in this mission January 1, 1958. The mission has a parsonage; also an excellent church site located on

Hi-way 50, and is holding services temporarily in a small building on the church lot. Plans are being made to start raising funds for the first regular unit of the church building. Excellent progress is anticipated in this mission in this rapidly growing suburb adjacent to Kansas City, Missouri. 1957 Board aid, $3,000.

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA, LATVIAN. The Rev. Herbert Jesifers is pastor. The mission has its own parish house, and has made especially good progress in reducing indebtedness on this building. Living quarters for the pastor are provided in an apartment on the second floor. The first floor and other areas of the building are used for group meetings; also a recreation-hall that was formerly a garage. Sunday School is held in the parish hall and most church services are held in Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln. A fine ministry is provided by Pastor Jesifers for these Latvian people. 1957 Board aid, $900.

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA, ST. JOHN'S. Vacant. This congregation was received into Synod in 1956 with 50 charter members. Since there was no provision for mission aid the congregation has never been able to support a pastor. In 1956 Sunday School work was started by pastors in Lincoln in the Belmont area—about two miles north of St. John's. In December 1957, the Board of American Missions voted to classify St. John's Church as a mission if the center of the congregation was moved to the Belmont area. Part of the Belmont area is new, but growth is quite limited. Because of the small membership of St. John's, very substantial Board help will be needed if this mission is to continue. The whole program is now being studied by the Home Missions Committee in consultation with B.A.M. officials.

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA, UNITED. Organized in 1916. The Rev. Edward C. Hansen, S.T.D. has served as pastor since 1947 Reports from this fields indicate steady progress in all areas. The congregation has a nice church edifice and a parish house. Continued growth is anticipated. 1957 Board aid, $720.

NIOBRARA, NEBRASKA, NIOBRARA, AND LINDY, NEBRASKA, GOOD SHEPHERD. The Niobrara congregation was organized in 1948 and Good Shepherd mission at Lindy in 1954. The Rev. John C. Heidbreder began his pastorate in this parish July 1, 1957. Both congregations have increased in membership. Both have church edifices and a parsonage is owned by Niobrara. The Niobrara congregation has constructed a parish hall addition this past winter. Both missions report steady progress, and continued growth is anticipated in the future. 1957 Board aid, $660.

OMAHA, NEBRASKA, MORNING STAR. This mission was organized in April, 1956. The Rev. Martin C. Ashley served as organizer and regular pastor. This mission in an unusually good area on the west side of Omaha has made substantial progress during the past year in membership, attendance, and finances. The mission has conducted its first year's drive toward the construction of the first unit of a church building. The congregation has anticipated a special gift of church lots and possibly other aid in

developing and constructing a building. Whether this aid is forthcoming or not, it needs to move ahead toward securing additional facilities for this growing congregation. 1957 Board aid, $3,000.

OMAHA, NEBRASKA, ST. MATHEW'S. This mission was organized in 1952. The Rev. Hugo F. Welchert has served as pastor since January 1, 1956. A beautiful church building was dedicated in May, 1956. The congregation also owns an attractive parsonage. With its fine facilities and the good leadership of this pastor, this mission has been making steady progress in all departments of its church life during the past year. The devotion of pastor and people will enable this congregation to continue to make steady progress. 1957 Board aid, $1,740.

RAYTOWN, MISSOURI, BLUE RIDGE TRINITY. Organized in 1953. The Rev. Arthur W. Miller has served as pastor since 1954. A new church building was dedicated August 26, 1956. The mission also has a fine parsonage, church lots and extra lots for parsonage and parking. The mission has been making steady progress and looks forward to excellent growth in the future in this rapidly growing suburb of Kansas City, Missouri. 1957 Board aid, $2,200.

RALSTON, NEBRASKA, MESSIAH. This mission was organized February 12, 1956. The Rev. H. J. Ritzen served as organizer and has served as first pastor since. The mission has a fine parsonage, and has been using as house-chapel a house that was formerly used as a home. The mission has purchased a second set of church lots which are considerably more desirable than the first church site. Membership and attendance have increased. The congregation is in its second year of fund raising for the building of its first regular church unit. Raising of sufficient funds is the big task for this mission before it can start construction on a new building. This suburb of Omaha, although not large, continues to grow, and the devotion of pastor and people will enable this mission to make steady progress in the future. 1957 Board aid, $3,000.

SUNRISE BEACH, MISSOURI, KENT MEMORIAL. Organized in 1951 the mission has had the fine pastoral services of the Rev. Raymond E. Johnson since 1953. The congregation has an unusually attractive church edifice and parsonage overlooking the woods and a portion of the beautiful Lake of the Ozarks. It is in the heart of the Lakes of the Ozarks resort area. The mission has made very good growth in all areas of its church life. And this is particularly noteworthy since it is in an area that might not be considered especially conductive for the development of a Lutheran mission. Particularly outstanding has been the fact that this mission has paid its benevolence 120 per cent and has been making substantial reductions in its church indebtedness. Steady progress for the future is anticipated. 1957 Board aid, $1,680.

SUTHERLAND, NEBRASKA, GRACE. The Rev. John L. Rinde served as pastor beginning June 1, 1956 and left the mission January 1, 1957, to serve as organizer of another mission in the Synod. The membership of this congregation has more than doubled during this period. Church finances have increased in like proportion.

The congregation owns a church edifice, a parsonage, and this past year a fine parish hall unit was built by volunteer labor and gifts, and is now debt free. It is hoped that when another pastor enters the field that it may continue to make progress. 1957 Board aid, $960.

TULSA, OKLAHOMA, ASCENSION. The field was organized in 1955, the Rev. Fred W. Henkel having served as organizer. The Rev. Edward W. Amend became pastor shortly after organization. The property consists of fine parsonage and a large church site on which a home stands that is in use for office space and group meetings. This mission has continued to make steady progress in membership and finances. Pastor and people have made unusually good progress in raising the funds necessary to construct the first unit of a church building. Applications are now before the Board, an architect is working on the drawings, and it is hoped that construction on a first unit may be started sometime this year. With these additional facilities it is anticipated that the mission will make even more rapid growth in this new area of this rapidly growing city. 1957 Board aid, $2,220.

VALLEY, NEBRASKA, ST. MARK'S. This congregation was organized in 1953 in a community some twenty miles from Omaha. The Rev. Carl H. Goede has served as its pastor since June 1, 1956. The mission has an attractively remodeled older church building, and also a parsonage. Even though there are some limitations in the growth of this community, pastor and people have labored steadily toward further progress. Some adjustments on loans from the Board of American Missions were made this past year. 1957 Board aid, $1,360.

WASHINGTON, KANSAS, GOOD SHEPHERD. Organized in 1949. The Rev. Harvey Bernhardt has served as pastor since 1951. The congregation has a very attractive church building dedicated in August, 1956. The property of the mission also includes a fine parsonage. This mission in this county seat town in north central Kansas has been making steady growth and it is evident that it will become one of the substantial congregations of the Central States Synod. 1957 Board aid, $960.

WICHITA, KANSAS, REFORMATION. Organized 1952. This mission was organized in 1949. It has been served by an ad interim pastor in recent months, the former pastor having left in February, 1956. This mission has made excellent growth in this rapidly growing area of the east side of Wichita. Problems this past winter have affected financial receipts, attendance and membership. The Board of American Missions is adjusting loans of the congregation. It is hoped that the congregation may soon secure a regular pastor and continue to make progress in the future, and realize the fullest possibilities of its area. 1957 Board aid, $1,500.

Board Loan Missions

The following congregations of Synod have loans with the Board of American Missions:

Fort Smith, Arkansas, St. Luke's, the Rev. Chesmond Bade, pastor.

Kansas City, Kansas, Trinity, the Rev. Richard Schricker, pastor.

Lodge Pole, Nebraska, Immanuel, the Rev. Norman E. Schroeder, pastor.

Omaha, Nebraska, Pilgrim, vacant.

Prairie Village, Kansas, Faith, the Rev. William F. Most, pastor. This is one of the newer churches that became self-supporting in a few years' time, and is now making steps toward the construction of the second unit of its church building. Substantial funds were raised for this project.

Sedalia, Missouri, Trinity, the Rev. David M. Funk, pastor.

Stillwater, Oklahoma, Salem, the Rev. Alfred J. Duis, pastor.

York, Nebraska, First, the Rev. Robert E. Gaston. This congregation paid off its church extension loan completely during the past year.

Most of the salary aid missions also have church extension loans from the Board of American Missions.

Synodical Missions

The Home Missions Committee has assisted a number of congregations that have been termed "Synodical Missions." These congregations have been granted some type of aid from the committee, either in the form of salary aid or assistance to the pastor for car allowance. Some of these synodical missions are in limited population areas and without the aid provided by the Synod would not be able to continue as a congregation. Others have been given aid by the committee in order to encourage more rapid development. This assistance for 1957 is indicated below. The figures are given on an annual basis, but are paid monthly, beginning whatever month the pastor started in the missions:

Broadwater, Nebraska, Messiah, $960.
Columbus, Nebraska, United, $1,120.
Greenleaf, Kansas, Trinity, $480.
Hardy-Superior, Nebraska, St. Paul and mission, $1,200.
Lodge Pole, Chappell, Nebraska, Immanuel and Grace, $500.
Mentor, Kansas, St. Paul, $475.
Sedalia, Missouri, Trinity, $300.
Stella, Nebraska, Trinity, $1,200.
Spencer, Nebraska, United, $500.
Walton-Eagle, Nebraska, Grace and Trinity, $960.
Wilber, Nebraska, First, $300.

Board Missions Receiving Synodical Aid

A number of the missions receiving aid from the Board of American Missions have been given additional assistance from the Home Missions Committee to meet some immediate problem or to assist the pastor in carrying out responsibilities of an enlarged mission field. This assistance for 1957 is indicated below. The

THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

Children at Tabitha, beginning 1957: (3 of these in private homes under our supervision)	16	(8 boys and 8 girls)
Received during the year	9	(4 boys and 5 girls)
Total number cared for in 1957	25	(13 families)
Children to parents or other homes	15	(9 boys and 6 girls)
Children at beginning of 1958	10	(3 boys and 7 girls) (2 boys and 2 girls in private homes)

Our children cared for ranged in ages from 3 to 16 years inclusive. One boy was confirmed and 17 children were of Lutheran background.

MEMORIAL BUILDING FUND BALANCE

Balance December 31, 1956	$56,531.84
Additions	15,559.64
Balance December 31, 1957	$72,091.48

CURRENT OPERATIONS

Income:

Operations	$ 75,068.14
Income from Investments	6,729.39
Appropriations	15,853.08
Voluntary Contributions	37,718.64
Miscellaneous	535.66
Community Chest	6,000.00
Total Income	$141,904.91

Expenses:

Administrative	$ 75,471.72
Plant Operations	19,876.12
Service and Relief	17,352.22
Capitol Expenditures	29,058.82
Total Expenses	$141,758.88
Excess of Income over Expenses	$ 146.03

The Board of Directors expresses its grateful appreciation for the Benevolence Apportionment allocations of the Central States Synod as well as for the special gifts received from individuals and congregations in the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Willard W. Alexander, Superintendent
R. R. Belter, President
F. W. Nolte, Secretary

figures are given on an annual basis, but are paid monthly, beginning whatever month the pastor began work in the mission:
Great Bend, Kansas, St. Mark, $200.
Kansas City, Missouri, Bethlehem, $100.
Kansas City, Missouri, Reformation, $180.
Lee's Summit, Missouri, Martin Luther, $300.
Lincoln, Nebraska, Latvian, $480.
Lincoln, Nebraska, United, $120.
Niobrara-Lindy, Nebraska, Niobrara and Good Shepherd, $336.
Omaha, Nebraska, Morning Star, $150.
Ralston, Nebraska, Messiah, $200.
Sunrise Beach, Missouri, Kent Memorial, $600.
Sutherland, Nebraska, Grace, $420.

Respectfully submitted,
Reno R. Frobenius, Chairman
Secretary of Home Missions

A recommendation was made that the Executive Committee be authorized to borrow funds from banks, individuals, and congregations, to provide temporary financing in connection with the purchase of parsonages, lots, house-chapels, and church buildings, provided the Board of American Missions, through the Department of Church Extension in written notice of their financial proposal, makes provisions for assuming the temporary financing provided by Synod. Motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation.

The report of the trustees of Tabitha Home was presented by Dr. Leland Lesher.

REPORT OF TABITHA HOME BOARD OF DIRECTORS

For the Year 1957

Tabitha Home is an institution for the ambulatory aged, and for children who come from broken and emotionally disturbed homes. The task of ministering and providing shelter and spiritual aid for these our dependents, has been made possible through the gracious support of our churches.

THE AGED DEPARTMENT

Aged guests at beginning of 1957:	91	(55 women and 36 men)
Received during the year of 1957	15	(10 women and 5 men)
Total cared for	106	
Claimed by death or in Nursing Homes	14	(7 women and 7 men)
Aged guests at beginning of 1958	92	(58 women and 34 men)

Our aged folks range in age as follows: 2 are over 95 years of age; 8 are between 90 and 95 years; 20 are between 85 and 90 years; 34 are between 80 and 85; 20 are between 70 and 80 years; 3 between 65 and 70; and 5 are under 65 years of age. Sixty-one of our guests are Lutheran. Eighteen are receiving O.A.A.

The League was represented by Theodore Baehr of Emporia, Kansas.

THE REPORT OF THE LUTHER LEAGUE

With thanks to God and with prayers for continued spiritual enrichment the Luther League gratefully acknowledges the spirit of cooperation extended to it by the President and members of the Synod the past year.

By August, 1957, the goal of the '57 Fund (set up to finance the hosting of the 1957 Luther League of America Convention) was met.

A total of 107 young people attended the third annual Luther League Convention held August 10-11, 1957, at Kansas University, Lawrence, Kansas. The following officers were elected: President—Dick Lieberknecht, Kountze Memorial, Omaha, Nebraska; Vice President—Philip Baehr, St. Mark, Emporia, Kansas; Treasurer—Raelene Mai, St. John, Russell, Kansas; Recording Secretary—Elsie Holm, Faith, Prairie Village, Kansas; Corresponding Secretary—Georjean Gates, Luther Memorial, Omaha, Nebraska; Elected Adviser—Rev. Harold E. Hamilton, Trinity, Lawrence, Kansas.

The following people have served since August, 1957, as Committee Chairmen or appointed officers: Publicity Chairman and Editor of The **Plainsman**—Karen Long, St. Paul, Diller, Nebraska; Office Secretary—Gael Dorsey, Kountze Memorial, Omaha, Nebraska; SHARE Program Secretary—Carolyn Linsenmeyer, Salem, Stillwater, Oklahoma; Christian Vocation Chairman—Dick Knaub, St. Mark, Bloomfield, Nebraska; Evangelism Chairman—Susan Peters, Grace, Omaha, Nebraska; Missionary Chairman—Lyman Heine, Salem, Nebraska; Social Action Chairman—Jan Meier, Holy Trinity, Sidney, Nebraska; Recreation Chairman—Paul Johnson, First, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

A total of 231 young people of the Synod attended the Luther League of America Convention, held August 12-17, 1957, at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas. Arnold Tiemeyer, First, Rockport, Missouri, past treasurer of the synodical Luther League, was elected to the office of treasurer of the Luther League of America. George Taylor, Holy Trinity, Sidney, Nebraska, immediate past president of the synodical Luther League, was elected to the position of Member-at-Large of LLA and was appointed to the position of Chairman of the LLA Social Action Committee.

Efforts to improve methods for circulating information and disseminating news have realized encouraging progress. A set of addressograph plates containing the names of local Presidents, Pastors, and Lay Advisers has been set up. Mimeographing operations have been speeded. Third Class mailing privileges have been obtained. Through an arrangement with Woodward Printing Co., Fremont, Nebraska, the bimonthly synodical Luther League publication, **The Plainsman**, is being sent directly to the homes of over 1,900 young people. Through an arrangement with the administration and faculty of Midland College, Journalism students at Midland College are allowed to receive college credit for working on **The**

Plainsman.

In October, 1957, Rev. Kleinert and five members of the synodical Luther League Executive Committee attended the annual Luther League of America Conference for State and Synodical Officers held at the Southern Hotel, Columbus, Ohio.

A total of 69 young people and several adults attended the synodical Luther League conferences for local officers and advisers, which were held at Grace, Lincoln, Nebraska, January 3, 1958, and at St. Mark, Emporia, Kansas, January 4, 1958.

A total of 75 young men attended the annual Church Vocation Conference held April 25-26, 1958, in cooperation with the student body of Central Seminary. The Conference was sponsored jointly by the Brotherhood and the Luther League.

A total of 143 young women attended the first annual Girl's Church Vocation Conference held May 3, 1958, at Tabitha Home and United Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska. The Conference was sponsored jointly by the Committee on Church Vocations and the United Lutheran Church Women.

In cooperation with Rev. Claudius Jensen the Committee on Midland Assembly 3 one-and-one-half-hour workshops have been scheduled as part of the program of Midland Assembly for 1958 (August 4-8). The workshop leader will be Rev. Henry Kleinert.

The fourth annual Luther League Convention is scheduled to be held August 18-21, 1958, at Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska. A full day has been added to the Convention Program in order to provide for a more challenging program, which includes a special service project in addition to the traditional activities.

The Luther League of America Convention for 1959 is scheduled to be held at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, August 17-22.

Financial difficulties still hamper both the synodical Luther League program and the Luther League of America program. The synodical Luther League is not able to support the Luther League of America program in accordance with its apportioned fair share of financial support, yet the synodical Luther League program of necessity is restricted to only the minimum essentials. Therefore, finding an adequate means of raising the present level of financial support from local Luther Leagues must be of primary concern and must take priority over any plan for expansion of the Luther League program.

Respectfully submitted,
Dick Lieberknecht, President

The report of the United Lutheran Church Women was presented by Mrs. John N. Slice, the Synodical President.

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN

That United Lutheran Church Women are trying to go "Forward With Christ" as challenged by this theme at our last convention is evidenced by the report of the statistician which shows there are 8,223 members in its 172 organizations in 156 congregations.

Our work is divided into four functional divisions: Membership, Education, Christian Service, and Offerings. Each division is headed by a Synodical Committee Chairman, with a representative from each conference on her committee. Workshops were held last summer at Midland Assembly on Tuesday for the Committees and Officers and on Wednesday for all women who could attend. They were well attended and proved very successful. Plans are underway for similar workshops this summer.

The highlight of our year was our annual convention at Kansas City. Dr. Young in his sermon at the Vesper Service brought the message from the Church. Miss Betty Edwards, Education Secretary of the General Board of United Lutheran Church Women, and Miss Lilith Schwab, missionary to India on furlough, brought informational and inspirational messages during the sessions. Rev. Dennis Koch, missionary to Japan and a son of our Synod, gave the banquet address. Miss Bertha Koenig and Miss Agnes Christensen, our retired missionaries, spoke briefly.

The Convention adopted a $15,000 budget for this year, which comes entirely from Monthly Offerings. The treasurer reported that total receipts last year were $54,933.36, which includes Thank Offering, Life Memberships, In Memoriams, all Scholarships, and miscellaneous gifts to mission fields, missionaries and institutions, as well as Monthly Offerings.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. John N. Slice; Vice President, Mrs. Fred Kloepper; Secretary, Mrs. Ted Youngerman; Statistical Secretary, Mrs. Fred Ollendorf; Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Emmerich.

Our Executive Board met in January at the Church House. The itinerary of the Spring Conference was arranged, Miss Miriam Plitt, missionary to Malaya, chosen as guest speaker, and the theme "Look Up" selected. As the Board of Foreign Missions is sending Rev. and Mrs. H. J. Currens, Missionaries to Liberia on furlough, on an itinerary in our Synod from May 1-18, tentative plans for this were made, the itinerary being sponsored by United Lutheran Church Women.

We are looking forward to the Triennial Convention of the General Organization of United Lutheran Church Women which will meet in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, September 26-30, 1958. Our Synodical Organization has been allocated twenty-one delegates.

Our Annual Synodical Convention will be held in First St. Paul Church, Hastings, Nebraska, October 21-23, 1958. The Convention Theme is "See My Hands."

As we United Lutheran Church Women see our Master's hands folded in prayer, busy in loving service, and wounded in sacrifice, we feel impelled to deeper devotion, to constant service, and to a sense of humility and gratitude for the way of salvation made open to us.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. John N. Slice

A report of the United Lutheran Church Men was presented by Mr. Walter Jobman, the Synodical president. The report will appear in the final minutes.

REPORT OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH MEN

The Third Annual Convention of the Brotherhood of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Central States was held on September 26, 1957, at St. Luke Lutheran Church, 2315 "I" Street, Omaha, Nebraska, A. H. Pinkall, Pastor. Pastor Grant Van Boening of Great Bend, Kansas, served as the convention Chaplain, bringing the morning and afternoon spiritual messages. Mr. Howard L. Logan, Executive Secretary of the ULCA ULCM brought greetings and a message from the ULCA ULCM. Mr. Logan also gave the main address at the evening Banquet.

Approximately two hundred delegates and visitors were registered for the convention and approximately three hundred attended the banquet in the evening, which was held in the Parish Room of the church.

During the past year we were happy to welcome three new congregational Brotherhoods into the Synodical Auxiliary. Total ULCM groups remains at 70 groups affiliated with the Synodical ULCM, which is the same as last year, with a total membership of approximately 1,300. The exact number is hard to ascertain due to the lack of cooperation of some of the congregations not sending in their dues, and number of paid up members. This, of course, is a matter that should be given some serious thought and encouragement to take care of these matters as early in the year as possible. There are several active men's groups within the Synodical boundry that are not affiliated with the Synodical ULCM. We extend a most hearty and sincere welcome to them to become affiliated with the Synodical ULCM.

Two delegates were sent to the 21st Biennial Convention of the ULCM of the ULCA which was held at First Lutheran Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 17-18, 1957. These delegates extended an invitation from the Central States ULCM to have the national convention in Omaha, Nebraska, in 1959. After some consideration the invitation was declined and the Southbend, Indiana, invitation was accepted. Our delegates did a commendable job at the convention and we feel confident that the men of the East have a better and clearer picture of the work that is being done in the Central States. Likewise, the work of our local ULCM has been greatly strengthened with the knowledge gained by our two delegates.

The Synodical ULCM adopted the projects of promoting memberships in the Missions-Ten Club, and in partaking in the Kings Men program, with an effort being made to visit every congregation in Synod. A project completed since our last report is the purchasing and presentation to our Church House of the Projector and Screen for use by our Synodical President and his assistant, in the work of the Church.

Our annual Convention will be held in September, 1958, at Hanover, Kansas. The exact date to be determined as soon as a speaker can be lined up for the convention and banquet in the evening.

A number of men's groups are in the process of getting organized into ULCM groups. Applications have been sent and as soon as the dues and list of members are received the Charters will be granted. If there are other groups interested we will be most happy to work with them in getting organized into active ULCM groups.

We wish to thank all of you present for the splendid cooperation we have had from you, and especially want to thank President Young for his very fine cooperation and assistance in our work. We know that we can count on all of the Pastors of Synod to help us in getting more men into this work of the ULCM and are very thankful to God that we have the leadership that we have in the Pastors of our Central States Synod, for with such leadership, the only way the ULCM can go is Forward.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter L. Jobman, President

The committee on President's Report was presented by the Rev. George Krebs.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Members of the Central States Synod:

"Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."

With grateful hearts we assembly together in our Ninetieth Annual Convention in the St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Wichita, Kansas. It is indeed a privilege to carry on the important work of our synod in this beautiful House of God. In this Church we witness the results of consecrated leadership and generous financial support of the program of the Church. It is indeed a joy to conduct the business of our Church in the midst of such beauty and inspiration.

During the past year it has been a privilege to serve in the important office to which you have called me. God has been good to me, in that He has given me strength of body and soul to carry on the seemingly unending tasks connected with my office. With the help of leaders, both clerical and lay, there has been much progress made in our synod. My heartfelt thanks is extended to pastors of congregations and lay workers who have worked untiringly to accomplish the programs as adopted by synod. I am also grateful for the able assistance to me through Dr. Reno R. Frobenius, serving as Assistant to the President and Secretary of Home Missions. By assuming the responsibilities pertaining to home missions he has enabled your President to give more attention to other duties connected with the office. I would take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of the loyal and devoted service

offered by the Executive Committee of our synod. This committee has met regularly and has worked through long wearying meetings and has, with the President, felt the weight of responsibility. The President is quite positive that the Church joins with him in this expression of gratitude.

I wish to express thanks to Dr. Arthur M. Knudsen who has served as Director of the Midland College Appeal. His many visits on the territory of synod have brought Midland College closer to the members of our congregations. His spirit of loyal devotion is recognized by all and has been used of God to move many to make gifts to our own Midland College. As this year completes the period of three years of full-time direction of the Appeal, other plans must be made for promotion of the cause. Again, thanks to Dr. Knudsen for his loyal and enthusiastic presentation of the Midland Appeal.

Words are not adequate to express my thanks for the generous service offered by Mr. Paul Palmquist, Treasurer of Synod. A most difficult task has been carried out properly in every detail. I would say "thank you" for the faithful service of the former Secretary of Synod, Rev. Olney E. Eaton, and of the Secretary Pro Tem, Rev. Louis H. de Freese. This important office has been in good hands.

Conference presidents have been very helpful to me and I am grateful for the fine cooperation they have shown in giving proper leadership to the conferences.

The program of the synod is given implementation by the committees. Until one attends these many meetings he cannot visualize how much help is available for synod's work. I am grateful for the host of servants synod has in these committees.

The life of our synod has been enriched by the challenging programs of the auxiliaries. I take this opportunity of thanking the following officers for leadership of their respective auxiliaries and for the continued effort put forth to serve as "extra hands" of synod: Mrs. Ernest Tonsing, former president, and Mrs. John N. Slice, president of the United Lutheran Church Women; Mr. Walter Jobman, president of United Lutheran Church Men; and, Mr. George Taylor, Jr., former president, and Mr. Dick Lieberknecht, president of the Luther League.

The details involved in carrying on a synodical program as large as ours would cause serious problems without proper office staff. I am very grateful for efficient work done by the staff. Miss Carolyn Blobaum, Secretary to the President and Receptionist, has rendered excellent service to synod. Her knowledge of so much of the detail involved in our program has enabled me to spend much time with congregations and committees of Synod. I am most grateful for this help. Miss Eula Halter is serving as office secretary and carrying the stenographic work for the Home Mission Program and the Midland Appeal. I am grateful for this additional help in our office. Miss Norma Miller, former office secretary, resigned in September and returned to her home in Kentucky.

It has been a joy to visit so many of the congregations of our synod during the past year. There is evidence of congregational zeal and many of our congregations seek opportunities to expand the congregation both numerically and with the facilities in which they worship. In most instances there is a real willingness to grow in evangelism, stewardship, and education programs. May God give us strength to continue in a zealous pursuit of the causes of His Church.

The President has put forth considerable effort to have pastor's salaries brought into line with the present cost of living. Many pastors have informed us that increases were forthcoming. This matter of pastor's salaries should be reviewed annually and action taken to assure pastors of proper remuneration.

Official Acts

Your President reports regularly to the Executive Committee regarding his activity. We summarize those reports as follows: Your President has had contact with congregations through 47 sermons, 14 addresses, 15 Board meetings, 56 council and congregational meetings, 55 committee meetings, and numerous pastoral visits and conferences with smaller groups. He attended insofar as possible all committees of synod, the U.L.C.A. Conference of Synodical Presidents in Detroit, the meeting of the Board of American Missions in New York City, and Regional Home Missions Committee meetings in the area. The Assistant to the President, Dr. Reno R. Frobenius, gives evidence of his loyal devotion to the work in the report of the Committee on Home Missions, and in addition to the home mission activities has rendered assistance in speaking on anniversary occasions, the installing of pastors, and counselling at council meetings.

ITEMS THAT EFFECT THE ROLL AND DIRECTORY OF SYNOD

Deaths

The Rev. Carl Kemper, retired, died on October 31, 1957 in Fremont, Nebraska. Funeral services at Salem, Fremont, Nebraska, and St. John's, Westboro, Missouri, on November 4, 1957, with Dr. A. W. Young, Dr. Leland Lesher, and Dr. T. J. C. Schuldt officiating.

The Rev. Martin Koolen, D.D., retired, died on November 10, 1957, in Lincoln, Nebraska. Funeral at Friedens, Lincoln, Nebraska, on November 13, 1957, with Dr. Martin Schroeder, Dr. Reno Frobenius, Dr. Herman Goede, and Rev. H. Rhode officiating.

The Rev. Ernest A. Walter, D.D., retired, died on January 2, 1958, in Lincoln, Nebraska. Funeral at Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebraska, on January 6, 1958, with Dr. A. W. Young and Dr. W. W. Alexander officiating.

The Rev. John E. Schrader, D.D., retired, died on February 19, 1958, in Hutchinson, Kansas. Funeral at Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas, on February 22, 1958, and at Zion, Hanover, Kansas, on February 24, 1958, with Dr. A. W. Young, Rev. Fred Wolff, and Rev. Paul de Freese officiating.

Demittals

The Rev. Burnell W. Hartman on September 25, 1957.
The Rev. V. R. Davis on March 10, 1958.
The Rev. Emerson E. Jury on December 15, 1957.

Dismissals

The Rev. Henry Moyer to the Texas-Louisiana Synod on May 17, 1957.

The Rev. J. Glenn Boliek to the Maryland Synod on May 20, 1957.

The Rev. Richard R. Syre to the Wartburg Synod on June 1, 1957.

The Rev. George M. Bass to the Northwest Synod on July 23, 1957.

The Rev. Elvin S. Hansen to the Pacific Southwest Synod on September 13, 1957.

The Rev. Wilbur G. Volker to the Illinois Synod on October 28, 1957.

The Rev. Alexander Wacker to the Iowa Synod on November 15, 1957.

The Rev. Wayne Barthel to the Northwest Synod on December 11, 1957.

The Rev. Olney Eaton to the Northwest Synod on December 13, 1957.

The Rev. Dayton G. Van Deusen to the Illinois Synod on January 30, 1958.

The Rev. Joseph K. Peaslee to the Ohio Synod on March 6, 1958.

Resignations

The Rev. Arthur W. Huneke from St. John's, Lanham, Nebraska on April 23, 1957.

The Rev. W. H. Saas from Zion, Benedict, Nebraska on April 30, 1957.

The Rev. John N. Slice from St. Paul's, Auburn, Nebraska on May 31, 1957.

The Rev. J. Glenn Boliek from Martin Luther, Lee's Summit, Missouri, on July 1, 1957.

The Rev. George M. Bass from St. Paul's, Wichita, Kansas on July 15, 1957.

The Rev. Robert Kocher from St. John's, Lancaster, Kansas on July 31, 1957.

The Rev. Alexander Wacker from First, Potter, Nebraska on July 28, 1957.

The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D., from First English, St. Joseph, Missouri on August 14, 1957.

The Rev. Willard W. Alexander, D.D., from Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas on September 15, 1957.

The Rev. Elvin Hansen from St. Paul's, Hardy, Nebraska on September 15, 1957.

The Rev. John Schrader, D.D., from St. John's, Lipscomb, Texas on September 30, 1957.

The Rev. Ernest Switzer from Trinity, Wolbach, Nebraska on October 29, 1957.

The Rev. Theodore Kuehner from Trinity, Tea, South Dakota on November 1, 1957.

The Rev. Wayne Barthel from Scherer Memorial, Chapman, Kansas on November 15, 1957.

The Rev. Vernon Hintermeyer from Zion, Platte Center, and Immanuel, Madison, Nebraska on November 15, 1957.

The Rev. O. Robert Hibbeler from Our Saviour's, Broken Bow, Nebraska on November 30, 1957.

The Rev. Joseph K. Peaslee from Reformation, Wichita, Kansas on December 13, 1957.

The Rev. Emerson E. Jury from Pilgrim, Omaha, Nebraska on December 15, 1957.

The Rev. Richard Schricker from Grace, Hooper, Nebraska on December 31, 1957.

The Rev. Loyal Mortensen as Mission Developer, Springfield, Missouri, on December 31, 1957.

The Rev. Frederick Nolte, D.D., from St. John's, Westboro, Missouri on January 1, 1958.

The Rev. Olney Eaton from Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas on January 14, 1958.

The Rev. John Rinde from Grace, Sutherland, Nebraska on January 31, 1957.

The Rev. Arthur L. Angersbach as Assistant Pastor, St. Paul's, Grand Island, Nebraska on February 28, 1958.

Calls

The Rev. Arthur W. Huneke to St. Matthew's, Johnson, Nebraska, effective April 22, 1957.

The Rev. W. H. Saas to St. John's, Columbus, Nebraska, effective May 1, 1957.

The Rev. Fredrick J. Juilfs to Prince of Peace, Bethel, Kansas, effective May 12, 1957.

The Rev. Stanley Senness to St. Luke, Emerson, Nebraska, effective June 1, 1957.

The Rev. John N. Slice to Trinity, Columbus, Nebraska, effective June 1, 1957.

The Rev. John C. Heidbreder to Good Shepherd, Lindy and Niobrara, Niobrara, Nebraska, effective June 1, 1957.

The Rev. Vitaut Grinvalds to St. John, Sterling, Nebraska, effective June 1, 1957.

The Rev. Jearald Shaft to St. John, Schuyler, Nebraska, effective June 1, 1957.

The Rev. Hugh Dowler to United, Spencer, Nebraska, effective July 14, 1957.

The Rev. W. W. Alexander to Superintendent of Tabitha Home effective July 17, 1957.

The Rev. Morris J. Niedenthal as Mission Developer, Columbia, Missouri, effective July 1, 1957.

The Rev. Hugo Rathkamp to St. Paul's, Auburn, Nebraska, effective September 14, 1957.

The Rev. Ernest Switzer to St. Peter's, Hildreth, Nebraska, effective November 1, 1957.

The Rev. Ivan G. Mattern to St. Paul's, Wichita, Kansas, effective November 1, 1957.

The Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, D.D., to St. John's, Bennington, Nebraska, effective November 1, 1957.

The Rev. Donald L. Albert to Trinity, Wolbach, Nebraska, effective November 1, 1957.

The Rev. Paul L. Miller to St. Paul, Falls City, Nebraska, effective November 10, 1957.

The Rev. Vernon Hintermeyer to First, Potter, Nebraska, effective November 15, 1957.

The Rev. O. Robert Hibbeler to St. Paul's, Hardy, Nebraska, effective December 1, 1957.

The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D., to become Assistant to the President of the Central States Synod, effective August 15, 1957.

The Rev. P. O. Anderson to Zion, Hanover, Kansas, effective December 15, 1957.

The Rev. Richard Schricker to Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas, effective January 1, 1958.

The Rev. Martin G. Kabele to First English, St. Joseph, Missouri, effective January 1, 1958.

The Rev. John K. Schirck to Martin Luther, Lee's Summit, Missouri, effective January 1, 1958.

The Rev. Loyal Mortensen to First, Rising City, Nebraska, effective January 1, 1958.

The Rev. John Rinde as Mission Developer, Springfield, Missouri, effective February 1, 1958.

The Rev. Arthur L. Angersbach to Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas, effective March 1, 1958.

The Rev. Gustav F. Duhrkop to Trinity, Beatrice, Nebraska, effective March 1, 1958.

The Rev. Morris J. Niedenthal to St. Andrews, Columbia, Missouri, effective May 1, 1958.

Installations

The Rev. William H. Saas at St. John's, Columbus, Nebraska, on May 12, 1957, by Rev. T. D. Rinde, D.D.

The Rev. Arthur W. Huneke at St. Matthews, Johnson, Nebraska, on May 12, 1957, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Stanley Senness at St. Luke, Emerson, Nebraska, on June 9, 1957, by the Rev. Gustav F. Duhrkop.

The Rev. Fredrick J. Juilfs at Prince of Peace, Bethel, Kansas, on July 7, 1957, by the Rev. A. W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. John C. Heidbreder at Good Shepherd, Lindy and Niobrara, Niobrara, Nebraska, on July 7, 1957, by the Rev. Arthur M. Knudsen, D.D.

The Rev. Vitauts Grinvalds at St. John's, Sterling, Nebraska, on July 21, 1957, by the Rev. Arthur M. Knudsen, D.D.

The Rev. Hugh Dowler at United, Spencer, Nebraska, on August 18, 1957, by the Rev. A. W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. W. W. Alexander at Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebraska, on October 13, 1957, by Rev. Leland Lesher, D.D.

The Rev. Hugo Rathkamp at St. Paul's, Auburn, Nebraska, on October 27, 1957, by the Rev. E. B. Keisler, D.D.

The Rev. Ernest W. Switzer at St. Peter's, Hildreth, Nebraska, on November 3, 1957, by the Rev. Arthur M. Knudsen, D.D.

The Rev. Ivan G. Mattern at St. Paul's, Wichita, Kansas, on November 3, 1957, by the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. Donald L. Albert at Trinity, Wolbach, Nebraska, on November 24, 1957, by the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. Paul L. Miller at St. Paul's, Falls City, Nebraska, on November 17, 1957, by the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. Martin Kabele at First English, St. Joseph, Missouri, on January 12, 1958, by Rev. A. W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. John K. Shirck at Martin Luther, Lee's Summit, Missouri, on January 26, 1958, by the Rev. A. W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. P. O. Anderson at Zion, Hanover, Kansas, on December 29, 1957, by the Rev. Arthur M. Knudsen, D.D.

The Rev. O. Robert Hibbeler at St. Paul's, Hardy, Nebraska, on December 8, 1957, by the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, D.D., at St. John's, Bennington, Nebraska, on December 15, 1957, by the Rev. A. W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Loyal Mortensen at First, Rising City, Nebraska, on January 26, 1958, by the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D.

The Rev. Vernon Hintermeyer at First, Potter, Nebraska, on December 22, 1957, by the Rev. Norman Schroeder.

The Rev. Richard Schricker at Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas, on February 2, 1958, by the Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Arthur L. Angersbach at Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas, on March 9, 1958, by the Rev. A. W. Young, D.D.

The Rev. Gustav F. Duhrkop at Trinity, Beatrice, Nebraska, on March 9, 1958, by the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, D.D.

Ordinations

The Rev. Morris J. Niedenthal, called as Mission Developer, Columbia, Missouri; ordained on June 30, 1957, at St. John's, Russell, Kansas, by Rev. Alfred W. Young, D.D., with the Rev. Fred Wolff, the Rev. Robert Karsten, the Rev. Otto Matthias, and the Rev. H. Grady Davis, D.D., assisting.

Foreign Missionaries

The Rev. Paul Hansen in British Guiana.

The Rev. Dennis Koch in Japan.

The Rev. Robert Kocher.

The Rev. Thomas Graham.
The Rev. Glenn Kranzow in China.
The Rev. Louis L'Heureux in Japan.
The Rev. Conrad J. Schmitz in Argentina.
The Rev. Levon Spath in Argentina.
The Rev. Paul O. Spehr in Africa.
The Rev. Wallace J. Wolff in British Guiana.
The Rev. E. G. Wood, D.D., in India.

Pastors Serving Outside Territory of Synod

The Rev. Wayne Daubenspeck, Japan, U. S. Army.

The Rev. Fred W. Kern, Battle Creek, Michigan, Office of Religious Affairs, Civil Defense Administration.

The Rev. Paul H. G. Moessner, Professor, Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio.

The Rev. Gustav Wiencke, Jr., Th.D., Board of Parish Education, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Pastors Not Under Call

The Rev. Edwin P. Bastian, Kutztown, Pennsylvania, inactive.
The Rev. Otto Bergfelder, Waverly, Iowa, retired.
The Rev. J. A. Bahnsen, Lipscomb, Texas, retired.
The Rev. J. O. Ensrud, Alexandria, Virginia, retired.
The Rev. P. W. H. Fredrick, D.D., Fremont, Nebraska, retired.
The Rev. E. Gomann, D.D., Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, retired.
The Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, Hampton, Nebraska, retired.
The Rev. M. S. Jensen, Hastings, Nebraska, retired.
The Rev. Herman Joens, Fremont, Nebraska, retired.
The Rev. William A. Klink, Sacramento, California, retired.
The Rev. Theodore Kuehner, Clearwater, Minnesota, retired.
The Rev. F. Waldorf Lau, Valley Falls, Kansas, pulpit supply.
The Rev. H. L. Lenser, Hanover, Kansas, retired.
The Rev. Fred Loeffler, Fowler, Colorado, retired.
The Rev. John A. McCullough, Kansas City, Missouri, retired.
The Rev. John N. Marxen, Columbus, Nebraska, retired.
The Rev. E. J. Moede, Millard, Nebraska, pulpit supply.
The Rev. Rudolph Moehring, Manhattan, Kansas, retired.
The Rev. F. W. Nolte, D.D., Syracuse, Nebraska, retired.
The Rev. V. R. Pietzko, Lincoln, Nebraska, retired.
The Rev. Chr. Rautenstrauss, Wheatridge, Colorado, retired.
The Rev. Martin Schroeder, D.D., Lincoln, Nebraska, retired.
The Rev. F. C. Schuldt, D.D., Fremont, Nebraska, retired.
The Rev. Thomas Tychsen, Walnut Creek, California, retired.
The Rev. C. W. Wagner, Jerseyville, Illinois, retired.
The Rev. E. Wendt, South Gate, California, retired.
The Rev. W. O. Zahlis, Ellis, Kansas, retired.

Deaconess Serving in the Synod

Sister Dorothy Stalder, First St. Paul's, Hastings, Nebraska.

Vacancies
(As of March 15, 1958)

Southern Conference

Darrouzett, Texas, St. Paul — Supplied by the Rev. H. O. Rhode.

Lipscomb, Texas, St. John's — Supplied by the Rev. J. A. Bahnsen.

Southwest Conference

Chapman, Kansas, Scherer Memorial — Call accepted by Student Kenneth Strecker.

Glasco, Kansas, St. Paul — Call accepted by Student W. Merle Moebus.

Hollenberg, Kansas, Redeemer — Call accepted by Stdent Henry Gittler.

Home, Kansas, Friedens

Lanham, Nebraska, St. John's — Call accepted by Student Henry Gittler.

New Cambria, Kansas, Peace — Supplied by Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas.

Norcatur, Kansas, St. Mark — Supplied by Rev. Youngquist, Herndon, Kansas.

Wilson, Kansas, Excelsior — Supplied by Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas.

Wichita, Kansas, Reformation — Supplied by the Rev. Robert Karsten.

Central Conference

Benedict, Nebraska, Zion

Lincoln, Nebraska, St. John's — The Rev. Erich Petersen called.

Polk, Nebraska, Trinity

Sutton, Nebraska, Zion

Omaha, Nebraska, Pilgrim — Call accepted by Student Charles Murnan.

Northwest Conference

Broken Bow, Nebraska, Our Saviour

Sutherland, Nebraska, Grace

Southeast Conference

Lancaster, Kansas, St. John — Call accepted by Student Richard Dunning.

Valley Falls, Kansas, St. Paul — Supplied by the Rev. F. Waldorf Lau.

Westboro, Missouri, St. John

Northeast Conference

Ames, Nebraska, Resurrection

Hooper, Nebraska, Grace — Merger plans considered.

Hooper, Nebraska, Zion — Merger plans considered.

Pilger, Nebraska, St. Peter — Call accepted by Student Robert J. Hulse.

Platte Center, Nebraska, Zion, and Madison, Immanuel

Stanton, Nebraska, St. Luke — Call accepted by Student Robert J. Hulse.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Ministers

The Rev. Donald L. Albert, pastor of Trinity, Wolbach, Nebraska, with a letter of transfer from the Pacific Southwest Synod.

The Rev. Hugh Dowler, pastor of United, Spencer, Nebraska, with a letter of transfer from the Pacific Southwest Synod.

The Rev. Martin G. Kabele, pastor of First English, St. Joseph, Missouri, with a letter of transfer from the Illinois Synod.

The Rev. Henry B. Kleinert, Midland College Chaplain, with a letter of transfer from the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The Rev. Wilhelm Linss, Professor at Central Seminary, with a letter of transfer from the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Bavaria.

The Rev. Ivan G. Mattern, pastor of St. Paul's, Wichita, Kansas, with a letter of transfer from the Pittsburgh Synod.

The Rev. Paul L. Miller, pastor of St. Paul's, Falls City, Nebraska, with a letter of transfer from the Michigan Synod.

The Rev. Frank S. Moyer, III, Omaha Area Institutional Chaplain, with a letter of transfer from the Illinois Synod.

The Rev. Morris J. Niedenthal, pastor of St. Andrew's, Columbia, Missouri.

The Rev. Hugo Rathkamp, pastor of St. Paul's, Auburn, Nebraska, with a letter of transfer from the Texas-Louisiana Synod.

The Rev. John K. Shirck, pastor of Martin Luther, Lee's Summit, Misscuri, with a letter of transfer from the Iowa Synod.

Candidates

Daniel K. Breunsbach, 1958 graduate of Central Seminary, called by the Board of Foreign Missions.

Richard Dunning, 1958 graduate of Central Seminary, called to St. John's, Lancaster, Kansas.

Roger K. Gieschen, 1958 graduate of Central Seminary, called by Board of American Missions as Mission Developer, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Henry Gittler, 1958 graduate of Central Seminary, called to St. John's Lanham, Nebraska, and Zion, Diller, Nebraska.

Robert J. Hulse, 1958 graduate of Central Seminary, called to St. Peter's, Pilger, Nebraska, and St. Luke's, Stanton, Nebraska.

W. Merle Moebus, 1958 graduate of Central Seminary, called to St. Paul's, Glasco, Kansas.

Carl Neubel, 1958 graduate of Central Seminary, called to St. John, Bendena, Kansas.

Kenneth Strecker, 1958 graduate of Central Seminary, called to Scherer Memorial, Chapman, Kansas.

Dean Sudman, 1958 graduate of Central Seminary, called by Board of American Missions as Mission Developer, Northwest Kansas City, Missouri.

Congregations

United, Midwest City, Oklahoma, organized on March 30, 1958.

St. Andrew's, Columbia, Missouri, organized on February 9, 1958.

Anniversary Observances

Allen, Nebraska, First — 20th Anniversary of ordination of the Rev. M. B. Simon.

Leigh, Nebraska, St. John's — 25th Anniversary of ordination of the Rev. Louis Weitzenkamp.

Events and Improvements

Fort Smith, Arkansas, St. Luke — 30th Anniversary of beginning of work.

Abilene, Kansas, Trinity — Extensive improvements to the church.

Atchison, Kansas, St. Mark's — Purchased lot and house for future expansion. Redecorated nave and chapel.

Bendena, Kansas, St. John's — Parsonage debt paid. New accoustical ceiling in church basement, and six new folding tables for Sunday School.

Bethel, Kansas, Prince of Peace — Organization of the congregation on April 25, 1957. Parsonage dedicated on October 13, 1957.

Ellis, Kansas, Christ — 50th Anniversary observed and parish house dedicated on June 16, 1957.

Emporia, Kansas, St. Mark — Purchased site for new church building.

Eureka, Kansas, Christ — New altar, retable, lectern, lectern Bible, brass Communion ware and offering plates consecrated.

Greenleaf, Kansas, Trinity — 75th Anniversary of the congregation in 1957, but will be observed in 1958.

Hanover, Kansas, Zion — Purchased new organ, parsonage renovated, two pianos given for parish hall.

Home, Kansas, Friedens — Plans for remodeling church basement.

Kansas City, Kansas, Trinity — Commissioning Service for Miss Martha Peterson as a foreign missionary on June 26, 1957.

Mentor, Kansas, St. Paul — Parsonage Fund established.

New Cambria, Kansas, Peace — Purchased new organ.

Prairie Village, Kansas, Faith — Plans for new educational unit. Now holding three Sunday school sessions.

Russell, Kansas, St. John's — Debt liquidated on parish school building.

Russell, Kansas, Trinity — Remodeled and enlarged parsonage.

Salina, Kansas, St. John's — Employed layman as education director.

Valley Falls, Kansas, St. Paul — Revised Constitution accepted in May, 1957. 100th Anniversary in June, 1957.

Wichita, Kansas, St. Paul's — Called a parish visitor in December.

Columbia, Missouri, St. Andrew's — First service of public worship on September 15, 1957. Organized on February 9, 1958.

Kansas City, Missouri, Bethlehem — Brotherhood organized. Congregation became self-supporting from salary aid from Board of American Missions.

Kansas City, Missouri, Children's Memorial — Dedication of a new church house and complete air-conditioning of church and church house, March 24, 1957.

Kansas City, Missouri, Reformation — Dedication of electronic organ. New brass altar appointments. Organization of Brotherhood.

Rock Port, Missouri, First — 100th Anniversary in 1958.

Sunrise Beach, Missouri, Kent Memorial — New organ chimes and choir robes.

Westboro, Missouri, St. John's — Redecorated church basement.

Alliance, Nebraska, St. John's United — New church furniture and altar kneeling cushions for Holy Communion and new hymn boards.

Blue Hill, Nebraska, St. Paul — Organized a Luther League. United the women's groups under one head, "United Lutheran Church Women." Building fund started for a new church.

Chappell, Nebraska, Grace — Dedicated a new organ.

Creston, Nebraska, St. Peter — Built kitchen facilities in church basement.

Dakota City, Nebraska, Salem — Broke ground for new church, March 24, 1957, cornerstone laid, July 21, 1957. 85th Anniversary of the congregation.

Diller, Nebraska, St. Paul — Provided carpeting for the church, installed a door from sacristy to the outside. New silverware and cups for church kitchen.

Fontanelle, Nebraska, Salem — Painted church exterior.

Glenvil, Nebraska, St. Paul — Two gold candlesticks received as memorial, altars were made for Sunday school rooms.

Gothenburg, Nebraska, Zion — 70th Anniversary observed June 9, 1957.

Grand Island, Nebraska, Messiah — Burning of mortgage on Parish House. Purchased property for new parsonage.

Grand Island, Nebraska, St. Paul — 75th Anniversary on October 13, 1957.

Hastings, Nebraska, First St. Paul — Enlargement of pipe organ. Began broadcasting 11:00 service. Holding two sessions of Sunday school.

Hastings, Nebraska, Emmanuel — Received offering basons and lectern as a memorial. New tables purchased for Sunday school. New altar paraments, and new kitchen equipment.

Hildreth, Nebraska, St. Peter's — New carpet in narthex. Remodeled and repaired parsonage.

Homer, Nebraska, St. Paul — Plans made for adding on to present church building.

Hooper, Nebraska, Grace — Dedicated new parsonage.

Hooper, Nebraska, Zion — Adopted new Constitution.

Hubbard, Nebraska, Trinity — 50th Anniversary of the congregation in 1958.

Lincoln, Nebraska, Friedens — 50th Anniversary of the congregation on November 3, 1957.

Lincoln, Nebraska, Grace — Mortgage on church property burned on June 9, 1957.

Lincoln, Nebraska, Zion — Built new garage, shingled parsonage, landscaped church grounds.

Lindy, Nebraska, Good Shepherd — New brass cross and candlesticks dedicated, given by the Women of the Church.

Louisville, Nebraska, Christ — Electronic chimes given as memorial. Parsonage remodeled.

Norfolk, Nebraska, St. John's — Purchased adjacent two lots and house. House is used for Sunday school.

North Bend, Nebraska, St. Matthew — Dedicated a new organ, repair on church tower, and painted the church.

Omaha, Nebraska, First English — 50th Anniversary observed on July 21, 1957.

Omaha, Nebraska, Grace — New education unit dedicated.

Omaha, Nebraska, Luther Memorial — Three Luther Leagues formed. Two additional choirs organized.

Omaha, Nebraska, Our Redeemer — Purchased house just south of church building.

Omaha, Nebraska, St. Matthew's — Fifth Anniversary. Art glass windows installed in the nave.

Papillion, Nebraska, Trinity — Ground broken for new church building on February 23, 1958.

Paxton, Nebraska, Trinity — Added altar dossal, carpet around altar and new piano.

Pierce, Nebraska, Christ — Repainted church and parsonage.

Pilger, Nebraska, St. Peter — 50th Anniversary of congregation.

Ponca, Nebraska, Salem — Ornamental iron railings installed, basement floor tiled, and various improvements to the church.

Potter, Nebraska, First — New parsonage built. Old parsonage used for education unit.

Schuyler, Nebraska, St. John — Church basement renovated.

Scribner, Nebraska, Immanuel — Shingled the church.

Sidney, Nebraska, Holy Trinity — Dedicated new church edifice September 8, 1957.

Stella, Nebraska, Trinity — New furnace.

Sutherland, Nebraska, Grace — Gunderson Parish Hall dedicated in September 1957.

Tekamah, Nebraska, Emmanuel — 80th Anniversary of organization. Extensive redecoration and repair of church building. Approval of a long-range building program, and establishment of building fund.

Wayne, Nebraska, Redeemer — Groundbreaking for church addition and parish unit.

Wilber, Nebraska, First — New church dedicated, May, 1957.

Winside, Nebraska, Trinity — Repainted church and parsonage.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, First — Purchase of additional property, new parking lot.

Respectfully Submitted

Alfred Young

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

RESOLUTIONS:

1. That in view of the growth of harmony and good will which our President has fostered in Synod, and of his success in the recruitment of pastors for our vacant congregations during this period, the Synod gives a rising vote of thanks for his leadership in this vital area of our work.
2. That as we express our commendation to President Young for his untiring efforts in the work of the Synod, we also ask the members of our Synod, pastors and people, that they continue their prayers for Divine Guidance as he is promoting the work of our church.

Committee:

Rev. G. P. Krebs, Chm.
Rev. A. C. Baughman
Rev. G. Herber
Mr. Del Tyrrell
Mr. Herman Langholz

Motion prevailed to adopt the resolutions of the committee.

Report of the Committee on Parish Education was given by the Rev. Claudius Jensen. A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendations.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PARISH EDUCATION

MEETINGS. The committee met in the Church House, Omaha, Nebraska, on October 29, 1957, and on February 13, 1958. At the February meeting Miss Catharine Juram and the Rev. Donald W. Prigge, members of the staff of the Board of Parish Education, were present. Their presence in Omaha for the annual meeting of the Division of Education of the National Council of Churches made it possible for them to meet with the committee.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS. Mr. Clinton Von Seggern of Scribner, Nebraska, was appointed a lay member of the committee by the President of Synod, in place of Mr. Dale Koegenboen of Wichita, Kansas. The committee appointed the following to serve on a sub-committee to be known as the 1958 Midland Assembly Executive Committee: Claudius E. Jensen, Director and Chairman; Theodore R. Youngerman, Asst. Director in charge of publicity; Edward R. Rohlfing, Dean; Miss Clara Schafersman, Registrar-Treasurer; Mrs. Stanley D. Sennes, Director of the Children's

Section; Mrs. Lee Ora Benton, Housing and campus details. Serving as Ex-Officio Members, Mrs. Theodore R. Youngerman, United Lutheran Church Women; Mr. Richard Lieberknecht, Luther League; Henry B. Kleinert, Luther League Advisor. A sub-committee for the purpose of Introducing the New Service Book and Hymnal was appointed by the committee as follows: Martin G. Schroeder, Jr., Chairman; Arthur Angersbach, W. F. Most, Vernon F. Jacobs, Royce Scherf, Leo R. Nielsen, Max H. Geissler, Henry J. Goede, Oscar Lyders. Mrs. Delbert R. Daire of Paxton, Nebraska, was appointed the Children's Work Secretary for the Synod for 1958.

COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION AT REGIONAL CONFERENCES. At the invitation of Dr. S. White Rhyne the chairman attended the Eastern Conference on Parish Education held under the direction of the Board at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on June 13 and 14, 1957. The chairman addressed this Conference on the subject, "The Work of Parish Education in the Central States Synod." The chairman and the Rev. David Funk attended the Mid-West Regional Conference held on the Chicago Seminary campus, Maywood, Illinois, on June 18 and 19, 1957. The chairman was privileged to address the 24th Annual Convention of the Northeast Sunday School Association held in Christ Church, Wisner, Nebraska, on August 9, 1957.

FIELD WORK BY THE BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION. Mr. Frank H. Bretz, Secretary for Research of the Board of Parish Education, visited the Synod in September of 1957 and led eleven Leadership Training Institutes in the eastern and central parts of the Synod. A total of 423 leaders from 53 congregations attended these meetings. The committee has taken action to defer any further visitation until the spring of 1959, immediately following Easter. At this time it is expected that the emphasis will be on the Sunday Church School.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL WORKSHOPS. Under the direction of Miss Barbara Schoenrock, Harner Middleswarth and George Ammon, all of the Board of Parish Education staff, two workshops were held in the Synod. The one was held for the Omaha area, in Kountz Church, on May 22. The other was held for the Kansas City area, in Children's Memorial Church, on May 24.

NEW SERVICE BOOK AND HYMNAL. The chairman of the committee and Martin G. Schroeder, Jr., attended the Inter-Church Assembly for the Promotion of the New Service Book and Hymnal held in Immanuel Church (Agustana Synod), Chicago, on November 6 and 7, 1957. The introduction of the new Service Book was arranged for on a State basis under the direction of a committee made up of representatives from the National Lutheran Council synods in the area. Due to the fact the members on the sub-committee for this purpose, who are outside of the State of Nebraska, were not requested to report any of their activities in connection with the Introduction Meetings this report can only refer to those meetings held in Nebraska. Meetings were held in the following places: Fremont, Lincoln, Omaha, Beatrice, Sidney,

Alliance, Wayne, Columbus, Wausa, North Platte and Hastings. According to reports from these meetings the new musical settings of The Service were well received.

VISUAL AIDS LIBRARY. The Librarian is now in the process of compiling a new catalog which upon completion will be sent to each congregation. On March 1, 1958, the Omaha Depository was combined with the Kansas City Depository. The operation of two depositories was found to be inefficient and impractical. Some copies of promotional films such as "The Candlemaker," "The Living Church," and the Midland College film have been retained in the Church House in Omaha for the convenience of the congregations in that area. Aside from the above named films all visual aids are now to be ordered from Mrs. Arthur W. Miller, Librarian, 10500 E. 59th Street, Raytown, Kansas City 33, Missouri.

MIDLAND ASSEMBLY. The 35th Annual Midland Assembly was held on the Midland College campus, July 29-August 2, 1957. The Registrar-Treasurer's Report is as follows:

Total Attendance	93	
Congregations Represented	39	
Pastors	19	
Youth 12-18	18	
Children	9	
Instructors and Staff	19	
RECEIPTS		
Central States Synod	$700.00	
Registrations	196.00	
		$896.00
DISBURSEMENTS		
Printing	70.50	
Supplies for class work	51.78	
Board, travel, phone, postage, incidentals	44.18	
Midland College for staff room and board	191.00	
Staff Travel	133.90	
Parish Education Board	20.00	
Brotherhood of U.L.C.A.	20.00	
Samuel W. Jensen	10.00	
Rufus Cornelsen	25.00	
Bruno Neumann	25.00	
Lloyd Refsell	25.00	
Mrs. Lee Ora Benton	25.00	
Miss Henrietta Rinderspacher	25.00	
Four cooks—$10.00 each	40.00	
Three waitresses—$5.00 each	15.00	
Andy Fuhrmeister—Custodian	15.00	
Two organists—$10.00 each	20.00	
		756.36
Balance on Hand—October 26, 1957		$139.64

The above balance was returned to the treasurer of the Synod in December of 1957.

Signed,
Clara Schafersman,
Registrar-Treasurer.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That all pastors and lay leaders publicize the program of the Midland Assembly and encourage attendance since it is the summer Leadership Training School of the Synod with the objective of assisting all leaders and workers in the parish.

2. That the Executive Committee of Synod be requested to appoint a permanent Committee on Worship and that this committee be given the responsibility of assisting congregations with the introduction of the New Service Book and Hymnal and any other matters that might come under the headings of worship and church music.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudius E. Jensen, Chairman.

A report of the Committee on Camp Property was presented by the Rev. George L. Search.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CAMP PROPERTY

Camp Wa Shun Ga, located southwest of Junction City, Kansas, was open thirteen weeks in 1957, the first camp beginning May 26 and the last camp closing August 24.

Housing and meals were provided for organized groups at a cost of $2.40 per day for each camper, the leasing group providing its own program, nurse, lifeguard and counseling staff. In 1957, fifteen camps were operated by nine such groups, serving over 2,200 campers for varying periods from two to six days. 33,611 meals were served. This is a substantial increase over 1956, but because fewer surplus commodities were received from the government, the operating profit did not increase in proportion.

A boat was added to recreational equipment; a commercial mixer and a slicer were installed in the kitchen; and two freezer units were purchased for the store.

Charles Stuart, Clay Center, Kansas, was camp manager, and will return in 1958. He was assisted by Mrs. Stuart, who handled finances, and Mrs. Noton Martinitz, the cook. Four other staff members were engaged full time, and additional help was hired as needed.

All available time is reserved for 1958. Camp opens May 25 and closes August 24. Three Central States' Synodical Camps, a Junior camp, a Family camp and an Intermediate-Senior camp, are scheduled for July 6-18.

Respectfully submitted,
George L. Search, Chairman

A report of the Committee on Youth Work was presented by the Rev. John N. Slice. The Rev. Robert Shirck, Director of Camp Sheldon; the Rev. Robert D. Hamilton, Director of Camp Wa-Shun-Ga; the Rev. Daniel C. Schroeder, Director of Wanatu, spoke in behalf of the camps.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH WORK

The Committee on Youth Work met in the Church House in Omaha on Monday, December 16, 1957, for the purpose of selecting Youth Camp Directors for the summer of 1958, and to study the work of the Synodical Luther League.

Youth Camps

There were three Youth Camps conducted under the sponsorship of the Synod in 1957: Camp Sheldon, Columbus, Nebraska, the Rev. Robert Shirck, Director; Wa Shun Ga, Junction City, Kansas, the Rev. Wayne Barthel, Director; and Wanatu, Niobrara, Nebraska, the Rev. Daniel C. Schroeder, Director. Camp Pine Ridge, Chadron, Nebraska, did not operate in 1957. There were not enough registrations to warrant its operation.

The three camps that were conducted were very successful. Campers received courses in Bible Study, Christian Life and physical education. Recreation under the proper supervision, form an important part of every camp program. The programs are designed to enrich the spiritual lives of the campers and to help the young people to develop integrated personalities.

In 1958 there will be three camps operated by the following directors: Camp Sheldon, the Rev. Robert Shirck; Wa Shun Ga, the Rev. Robert D. Hamilton; Wanatu, the Rev. Daniel C. Schroeder.

Since the dates of the 1958 camps have not been confirmed at the present time you will have to secure this information from the pages of The Central States Lutheran. It is important that our young people attend one of the Synodical Camps.

Synodical Luther League

Our Central States Luther League served as host to the 62nd Anniversary Convention of the Luther League in America. The Convention was held on the campus of the University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, August 12-17, 1957. Our young people did a royal job in entertaining the National Luther League.

The League is manned by a corp of fine young people who are definitely interested in the work of the church. Dick Lieberknecht is the new president, and is doing a fine job.

The 1958 budget of the Central States Luther League is $5,700.00.

To awaken interest in the Luther League and to get the local Leagues to plan better programs, a "Share" program has been designed by the Synodical Officers. "Share" teams go out into the various congregations to assist and help the local Leagues, only at the invitation of the President of the local League or the Pastor of the church.

Two conferences were sponsored by our Synodical Luther League officers for congregational officers and advisors—one was held at Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska, on January 3, 1958, and the other at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Emporia, Kansas, January 4, 1958. The purpose of these conferences was to introduce congregational leaders to the program emphases of the Luther League of America, and to give local officers and advisors the opportunity to talk over mutual problems.

Pastors are urged to give all the support they can to the Luther League. Young people need guidance and supervision.

We commend the officers of our Luther League for the wonderful work they are doing. They are interested in the whole program of the whole church. They only ask for our loyal support.

Respectfully submitted,
John N. Slice, Chairman

The report of the Committee on Publications was received.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

This Committee, merely another mouthpiece of the Board of Publication of the U.L.C.A. (besides the "Lutheran" etc.) wishes to bring the following information — received from the Board — to the attention of the Synod.

I. The **New Address of the Headquarters** of the U.L.C.A. Publication House:

2900 Queen Lane
Philadelphia 29, Pennsylvania

II. After 10 years in the making the **"New Service Book and Hymnal"** finally is published and can be bought (red cloth binding only) for **$3.85** each net.

III. Spring Book Publications — 1958

a. JUDAS by Anton and Elly van Heurn
A novel centered around the life of the traitor.

b. RELENTLESS STRANGERS by Edward W. Warner
A series of person to person meetings between the reader and ten biblical personalities.

c. THE GIFT OF CONVERSION by Erik Routley
This book places emphasis on grace and a non-moralistic interpretation of conversion in the light of the scriptures and history.

d. DESIGN FOR PREACHING by H. Grady Davis
A book which opens up new possibilities in the field of homiletics. Recommended by such as Dr. Paul Scherer and Dr. Charles Foelsch.

e. THEOLOGY IN CONFLICT (Barth-Bultmann-Nygren) by Gustaf Wingren
A critical examination of Karl Barth, Rudolph Bultmann and Anders Nygren, confined to the doctrine of the law and the important relationship between law and gospel.

f. LONG IS THE WAY by Ruth Muirhead Berry
A novel set in the "roaring twenties."

g. LUTHER'S WORKS (Vol. 40) Church and Ministry II
Edited by Conrad Bergendoff. General Editor Helmut T. Lehmann
Luther's opinion that the freedom of the Gospel must remain at the heart of the church's life and ministry.

h. THE JOURNALS OF HENRY MELCHIOR MUHLENBERG (Vol. 3)
The final volume of the series which first appeared in 1942.

i. THY KINGDOM COME by Gordon C. Lund
Book outlines, defines and describes evangelism in parish life.

j. THE WAY OF THE WITNESSES by Russell F. Auman
A Study of New Testament evangelism set forth in the Book of Acts.

k. SYMBOLS AND TERMS OF THE CHURCH by Edgar S. Brown, Jr.
Christian symbols clarified, and symbolic colors interpreted.

IV. Books expected to be published — Fall, 1958

a. THE GENTILE by Sylvia and Henry Lieferant
A novel which deals with the problems of prejudice, discrimination and mixed marriage between Christian and Jew.

b. EUCHARIST AND SACRIFICE by Gustaf Aulen
The topic of this book is the relationship between Christ's sacrifice on the cross and the Lord's Supper, the eucharist.

c. PRAYERS OF THE REFORMERS compiled by Clyde Manschreck
A compilation of prayers originally offered by Luther, Calvin, Coverdale, Cranmer, Knox, Melanchton, Tyndale and others.

d. FIRECRACKER CHRISTIANS by George K. Bowers
28 lively and attractive children's sermons.

e. UNIFORM LESSON COMMENTARY 1959 edited by Donald R. Pichaske
A resource book based on the International Sunday School Lessons.

f. LUTHER'S WORKS (Vol. 32) Career of the Reformer II
Volume Editor, George W. Forell; General Editor, Helmut T. Lehmann

V. CURRICULAR MATERIALS

a. Weekday Series
This Series is now complete and includes 15 different courses for 14 different age groups.

b. Christian Growth
The entire C.G.S. is now revised except for the senior

'58-'59 course. Starting in September 1959 all will be revised.

c. Vacation Church School Series 1958
"Knowing Jesus" Pupil books for all grades. Teacher's guides for all except Young People-Adult group.

d. Children's Activity and Club Program
The 1958-59 theme: Together around the world.

e. Let's Go.
A young people's paper, published monthly except July and August.

f. The Parish School
A must for every well-informed Bible School Teacher and worker.

g. Young Adult Idea Book
Suggestions for programming. Discussion themes replace study topics in "Luther Life."

h. Camp Courses
1958 theme is "MY LIFE". Junior course "Finding out and following". Junior High Course "Discovering my best". Senior High Course "The search for the real me".

i. Faith and Action and Leadership
3 new Leadership Texts and 4 new Faith & Action books as well as a new workbook to accompany Stump's Catechism are being prepared.

VI. ECCLESIASTICAL ARTS

This department is equipped to furnish everything for your altar, chancel, nave or classroom. Pastors and churches may secure vestments and clergy clothing according to church standards.

A wide selection of memorials for churches and church schools is available. Original designs for church furnishings and furniture will be submitted at a reasonable cost, or your architect's drawings will be studied and estimates given. Order well in advance of your dedication date.

A new Ecclesiastical Arts catalog will be ready in Fall of 1958.

VII. AUDIO-VISUAL

A new Audio-Visual Department Catalog will be ready within the next 2 months.

VIII. BOOK CORNERS

Fall, Christmas and Lenten Book Corners are offered to the U.L.C.A. congregations. The church receives a 10% discount for handling the book corner.

IX. LUTHERAN READERS CLUB

This Club operates mainly for the lay-people of the church. There are 6 bi-monthly selections a year. The L.R.C. operates basically the same way as any other book club. A gift book is given upon joining and a bonus-book dividend is sent with every fourth club selection purchased.

In Summary: Write to your nearest U.L.C.A. Publication House if and when you are in need of Books, Pamphlets, Sunday School Materials, Ecclesiastical Art Material, Audio-Visual Material, etc.

Respecfully submitted
R. M. Sauberzweig, Chm.

The report of the Committee on circulation of "The Lutheran" was presented by the Rev. Calvin Naugle, D.D.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CIRCULATION OF "THE LUTHERAN"

The Committee, on behalf of Synod, expresses deep appreciation to "The Lutheran" for the splendid promotional materials, especially the congregational packet mailed to each pastor, and for bearing the expense of promotion. Your chairman believes "The Lutheran" is the finest stewardship tool any synod possesses.

As of May 1 there were 5,896 subscriptions. This is 103 short of the 1957 total which was 5,699. There are 25 100% congregations this year. Four of them are new but eight 100% congregations in 1957 failed to renew for 1958. There are 11 congregations which have sent in lists for the first time. There are 52 congregations not taking advantage of the Synodical Plan. The potential for our Synod is 14,273.

The promotion in each conference was cared for by the conference representative on the committee. They are: Harlan F. Heier, Verdon, Nebraska—Central; Harlan Brei, Scribner, Nebraska—Northeast; Ernest Mortensen, Broadwater, Nebraska—Northwest; Edwin J. Hirsch, WaKeeney, Kansas—Southwest; and Calvin J. Naugle, Kansas City, Missouri—Southeast and Southern. Always contact your conference representative when you have questions or need help.

Respectfully submitted,
Calvin J. Naugle, Chairman

The session closed with prayer by the Convention Chaplain.

FIFTH SESSION
May 15, 1958 — 8:30 A.M.

The session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain, the Rev. Raymond Johnson.

The Committee on Minutes reported. It was noted that Pastor Loyal Mortensen should be included in the list of pastors participating in the laying-on-of-hands at the Ordination Service. The motion that the Executive Committee continue the study of the advisability of obtaining additional staff was lost. A motion prevailed to adopt the minutes of the Third Session.

The report of the editor of "The Central States Lutheran" was presented by Pastor Robert Shirck.

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL STATES LUTHERAN

The **Central States Lutheran** was published each month, except August, during 1957 with approximately 28,000 copies of each issue being printed and distributed.

In addition to its responsibility to assist in publishing the various aspects of the work of the Synod and of the U.L.C.A., the paper has constantly sought to be the instrument by which the congregations of Synod might communicate with each other, sharing ideas and programs. It is hoped that with the transfer of ideas, the feelings of brotherhood have been transmitted, and the bond of fellowship re-enforced. Because of the interest and concern of Synod for her missions and their activities, and in seeking to encourage them, more space has been given, proportionately, to the reporting of their activities and development, than to the older established congregations.

It is necessary that the dead-line (the first day of the month) be maintained, if the paper is to be published regularly. Articles and pictures for publication should be in the hands of the editor as far in advance as possible, but no later than the dead-line.

It is suggested that pastors make sure that their mailing lists from their congregations be kept up to date. Not only should the names of new members be sent in periodically, but the names and addresses of those to be removed, should also be submitted.

The editor wishes to thank all those who have contributed to the paper with stories and pictures. Be assurred that any suggestions for the improvement of the paper is eagerly sought.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert E. Shirck, Editor

Pastor Paul Wiegman, Synodical correspondent to "The Lutheran," addressed the convention briefly.

The report of the Archivist was presented by Dr. A. B. Lentz. A motion prevailed to continue the study of the recommendation concerning a Microfilming Outfit.

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVIST

Grace and Peace!

The task of cataloguing, classifying, and of filing of material entrusted to his custody is being continued. The biographical card-file of the present clerical membership is kept up to date and additional entries are being made, whenever possible, to the historical card-file, that is for the pastors who served the constituent synods of the Central State Synod in the past. Some of the material has been placed in the synodical vault at Central Seminary.

Your Archivist has also occupied himself:

With collecting pictures, cuts, minutes, anniversary booklets, and other suitable historical material;

In binding some material;

In giving information and help to pastors and congregational committees for anniversary booklets;

He has sent to each of the State Historical Societies of Kansas and Nebraska the following: Constitution of the Central States Synod, Minutes of the Central States Synod from 1954-1957, a copy of the book "Story of the Midwest Synod";

He has destroyed:

Remittance sheets, receipts, checks, check stubs, Treasurers' sheets of the Midwest Synod Treasurers from 1919-1949; also a few checks and check stubs of the Nebraska Synod Treasurer (1920-21) and some manuscript Parochial reports of the former Midwest Synod (1932-1936), the necessary accountings of Treasurers and Statisticians have been printed in minutes of the respective years, and the law does not require that such material be kept longer than 6 years—provided adequate accounting has been made.

RECEIVED AND ENTERED INTO THE ARCHIVES:

1. From Nebraska Synod Womens Missionary Society:
   Record book of Special Aids 1930-1944; reports for annual Convention of W.M.S. Nebraska Synod 1948-1949; Book of Special Aids; Box Work, Box for Tabitha, Official Directory Special Aids Dept. report 1953-54, etc.
2. From Mrs. L. A. Hornburg, Historian of W.M.S. Synod,
   a. Minutes of the Nebraska Synod and W.H. & F.M. Society for the years 1887, 1901, 1909, 1920, 1921, 1922;
   b. Minutes of Nebraska Synod and Minutes of Brotherhood for 1927, 1928, 1930, 1931, 1951, 1954.
   c. Minutes of W.H. & F.M. society 1885;
   d. Golden Jubilee Convention W.M.S. Illinois Synod 1927;
   e. Midland Assembly Program 1932;
   f. Books: Guntur Mission Hospital by Anna Kugler;
      Christian College and Christian Community by R. Manikam;
      Mission to America by T. B. Douglass;
      Let's Act Now by T. Baker;
      Mellow Fruits of Experience by L. M. Zimmerman.
3. From Palmquist—who received it from D. L. Tyrrel:
   Box with materials, minutes, etc., of Nebraska Synod Committee on Ministerial Education.
4. File Box with Nebraska Synod Luther League Material;
   From R. S. Lieberkneckt, Luther League President—copies of "Plainsman" L.L. Paper Vol. 4 Nos. 1, 2, 3.
   Luther League Minutes of German Nebraska Synod—1929-1939
   Luther League Minutes of German Nebraska Synod—1940-1950.
5. From First English Luth. Church, St. Joseph, Mo.:
   a. Church Record book of Brush Creek, Ev. Luth. Church, organized by Rev. D. Earhart, May 24, 1862, with 34 members.
   b. Protocol for the Norsk Ev. Luth. congregation of St. Joseph, Mo., org. April 6, 1860; constitution and protocol—all in Norwegian (blue print).
   c. Birth, Baptism, Confirmations, Weddings, Communions 1860-1886 (Norwegian) (blue print)—presumably of the above Norsk Ev. Luth. congregation of St. Joseph, org. April 6, 1860.
   d. Records of Births, baptisms, communions, confirmations of Holts Scandinavian congregation, St. Joseph, Mo. (1870-1886) (blue print).

e. Manuscript copy of Church Book of Prairie Grove Ev. Luth. Church; org. by Rev. Earhart, 1862, Deniphan Co., Kansas, constitution and minutes.

f. Listing of Norwegian Lutheran Congregations near St. Joseph.

g. Copy of written speech by Mr. O. L. Steanson 71st anniversary of organization of Lutheran church at Moray, or Norway, Kans. by Rev. Earhart, 1866, together with records of church members.

h. St. Joseph, First English Lutheran Church, History—talk given by Nora Nelson on Jan. 20, 1933 recounting some of the early history from 1867-1917.

i. Church paper of First English Luth. Church, St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 1902, and May 1907; printed pages and blue print.

6. Bulletin on Commissioning Services for Miss Martha Peterson, Missionary, from W. W. Alexander.

7. From Rev. H. Bernhardt, Washington, Kans.:
Parish Record Book of St. Paul's Ev. Luth. Church, Brown Co., Kans. (now defunct).

8. From Rev. Olney Eaton, Secy., Manuscript of Minutes 1956.

9. Seal from St. John's Ev. Luth. Church, Lincoln, Nebr. (defunct).

10. From Rev. L. G. Shannon, Williamsport, Pa. (books purchased for Archive):
a. History of Gettysburg Seminary—by Wentz;
b. Gettysburg College 1832-1892.

11. From Rev. Frobenius—Anniversary bulletins for the 30th and the 50th anniversaries of First Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Mo. and clippings.

12. From Elmer Sasse, Fremont, Nebraska;
The "Charger", a monthly paper printed by Rev. M. J. Hapeman, Dakota City, Nebr., Vol. 1 July 1893 to Dec. 1897 with a few gaps. (contains among other things history of congregation in that area)

13. Centennial Celebration booklet of Valley Falls, Kansas, congregation;

14. History of Schuyler, Nebraska, congregation from Rev. Jearald Shaft;

15. From Rev. Andreas Bard, some biographical material and clippings.

16. Rededication booklets of First St. Paul's, Hastings, Nebr.

17. Cuts used in Central States Lutheran from Rev. R. Shirck.

18. Dedication booklets of Tekamah, Nebr. Luth. Church.

PHOTOS AND CUTS—(this does not include photos and prints of pastors at present on roll. These will not be listed—they are expected to be a part of the regular biographical file).

1. From Miss Nellie Pugh, Valley Falls, Kans. (daughter of Rev. B. F. Pugh):
a. large framed wedding certificate with pictures of her Father, Rev. B. F. Pugh, her mother and pastor Zeigler, officiant.)

b. picture of convention of Kansas Synod at Topeka, Kans., 1915.
c. Picture of Synod church at Hayes, Nebraska.
d. picture of Nebraska Synod Convention, Grand Island, 1885.
e. Centennial Celebration booklet of Valley Falls, Kans. congregation.

2. From Cuthbert Miller, Davenport, Nebraska, pictures of former pastors of Davenport congregation. Copies made and originals returned to Mr. Miller.
3. Rev. A. Bard, pictures.
4. Rev. C. Goede, pictures of old Stone Church, Auburn.
5. Rev. Ensrud, pictures of himself, and wife—and biographical material.

Your Archivist brings to the attention of the Synodicals the recommendations adopted in 1956, Minutes 1956 p. 114, No. (2): that congregation turn over cuts and pictures used in anniversary booklets to the central place—the Archives, so that other congregations may also benefit; Also the recommendation adopted in 1957, page 128, No. (1): referring to format and binding of minutes.

Your Archivist reiterates his recommendations of 1956 and 1957, namely:

1. That Synod purchase, either separately or in conjunction with Midland College, and/or Central Seminary, or Tabitha Home, a Microfilming Outfit, to make possible the preservation in the least bulky and most permanent form and the wider distribution of fundamental records; and in case the microfilming outfit is purchased in conjunction with one or more of our institutions, that a separate microfilm reader be purchased for the Archivist's office.

Respectfully yours,
A. B. Lentz

A motion was made and seconded to request the secretary to send a courtesy copy of the minutes to archivists and historians of the constituent synods, and request a copy of their minutes. The motion was lost.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Pastor George Search.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Remembering that it is by the grace of God we meet together in this, the 90th Annual Convention of our beloved Synod, we must first praise God, from whom all blessings flow, and acknowledge His love to us through Jesus, His Son, and His Holy Spirit.

With our hearts and minds thus set on God, we therefore offer the following Resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That we remember with gratitude our gracious hosts, the people of the host church, Pastor Ivan Mattern, the local Arrangements Chairman, Laurence Anderson, and all who made our sojourn in Wichita so pleasant;

That we offer thanks for faithful officers of Synod, President Alfred Young, Dr. Reno Frobenius, Secretary Louis de Freese, Treasurer Paul Palmquist, and Statician Charles Harkness, Jr., whose stewardship of time and talent made effective and efficient the administration of Synod; to Dr. A. M. Knudsen for his devotion to the Midland Appeal has alerted Synod to the needs of our College; and to the Church House staff for labors beyond the call of duty;

That our humble thanks be tendered Dr. Dwight Putman for presenting ULCA causes in such a way that they became living and pertinent to the times, to Dr. George Berkheimer for clearly presenting the cause of Pensions, to Dr. Nils A. Bendtz for stirring words on Lutheran World Action, and to all others pressing for the needs of the Church at large;

That we commend the Chaplain, Pastor Raymond Johnson, for thoughtful and stimulating leadership in devotion and prayer; and the Pastor-Choir for their contribution to our worship.

That we commend college and seminary representatives, auxiliaries, and synodical boards, committees, and personnel whose labor precluded a smoothly running, inspiring Convention;

That those young men entering the ministry of the Gospel at this session of Synod be encouraged and commended, prayed for and sustained in their chosen way of life, and that all whose help and encouragement supported their call to the preaching of the Gospel, be assured of our deep gratitude;

That the members of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement in Synod, and ULCA representatives John Bozman and John Berger be accorded our thanks for inspiring encouragement in stewardship of time, talent and possessions;

And finally, that we resolve with the help of Almighty God, to be good stewards of the manifold gifts of grace, as we return to our fields of labor in His Name.

Ernest F. Tonsing
George I. Search

Pastor Mattern was asked to communicate to his congregation the appreciation of the convention for courtesies extended.

The following resolution was presented by the laymen: "Laymen fully recognize the areas of responsibilities that rest upon the pastors of our Synod and we as laymen wish to express publicly our heartfelt and sincere thanks for their untiring efforts in the Lutheran Church; and further, that each pastor receive a copy of this resolution."

The report of the Committee on Registration and Attendance was presented by Pastor Vernon Hintermeyer.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE

May 15, 1958

Record of Registration and Attendance

Pastors	168

Lay delegates	95
Visitors registered	103
TOTAL REGISTERED	366

Attendance Break-Down by Conference and Related Groups

Conference	Pastors	Delegates
Northeast	37	22
Northwest	18	12
Central	46	17
Southeast	23	14
Southwest	24	22
Southern	9	8
Retired Pastors	6	
Pastors outside area of Synod	5	
	168	95

We recommend that all Chaplains, Missionaries, and Retired Pastors not present be excused for absences.

We recommend that absences and partial absences approved by the committee be granted and excused.

Respectfully submitted,
Vernon A. Hintermeyer, Chairman
Committee on Registration and Attendance

It was recommended that all chaplains, missionaries, and retired pastors not present be excused for absences. A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation.

It was recommended that absences and partial absences approved by the committee be granted and excused. A motion prevailed to adopt the recommendation.

A motion prevailed to adopt the report of the Committee on Registration and Attendance.

A motion prevailed to adopt the following amendment to Article 6, Section 2, Paragraph F, of the Constitution: "To fill vacancies not otherwise provided for; in the case of elective committees the term of such an appointment to be only until the next annual convention of Synod."

A motion prevailed to adopt the following amendment to Article 6, Section 2, Paragraph 7: "A vacancy in the Executive Committee shall exist upon the death of a member, on the resignation of a member, or the change in residence of a member to a place either outside the boundaries of the conference from which he was nominated or outside the territory of the Central States Synod."

The following resolution was referred from the 1957 Convention:

"That the Executive Committee of Synod be directed to review the statistical structure of the Synod and the United Lutheran Church for the following intended purposes: 1) To provide for

Synod a recommended definition of 'communing member.' 2) To consider the possibility of memorializing the United Lutheran Church to the effect that the present usage of the 'confirmed' membership roll be discontinued."

A motion prevailed that the item be tabled.

A motion prevailed that Dr. Young send greetings to Dr. Edwin Moll on behalf of Synod.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel moved that any item of unfinished business of the convention be referred to the Executive Committee for action, along with the approval of the minutes of the last session. The motion was carried.

A motion prevailed that the secretary send two copies of the minutes of the last session to each pastor, one copy for the lay delegate.

A motion prevailed that the matter of place and time of the next convention be referred to the Executive Committee.

The new officers were installed.

The convention adjourned with the Order for the Closing of Synod.

Louis H. de Freese
Secretary Pro Tempore

Apportionment Quotas For 1959

(Figures computed on 1957 Communing Membership)

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

Location of Church	Apportioned Benevolence	Lutheran World Action
IOWA		
Northboro, St. Paul	$ 1,442	$ 152
MISSOURI		
Langdon, St. Peter	1,336	141
Rock Port, First	3,795	400
Westboro, St. John's	3,795	400
NEBRASKA		
Auburn, St. John	2,823	298
Auburn, St. Paul	5,980	630
Beatrice, Trinity	1,822	192
Bellevue, Immanuel	2,019	203
Benedict, Zion	1,609	170
Bennington, St. John	5,085	536
Davenport, Christ	3,036	320
Diller, St. Paul	3,081	325
Diller, Zion	911	96
Eagle, Trinity	273	29
Falls City, St. Paul	6,512	685
Falls City, St. Peter	1,290	137
Grand Island, St. Paul	18,715	1,973
Gretna, Resurrection	4,022	424
Hampton, Emmanuel	972	102
Hardy, St. Paul	1,336	141
Johnson, St. Matthew	2,899	306
Lincoln, Friedens	7,680	810
Lincoln, Grace	13,949	1,470
Lincoln, Latvian	3,734	394
Lincoln, St. John	395	42
Lincoln, United	3,066	323
Lincoln, Zion	2,049	216
Louisville, Christ	1,973	208
McCool Junction, First	1,624	171
Nebraska City, First	4,114	434
Ohiowa, Grace	1,290	137
Ohiowa, St. John	3,309	349
Omaha, First English	7,180	757
Omaha, Grace	5,449	574
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	31,753	3,347
Omaha, Luther Memorial	7,438	784
Omaha, Morning Star	1,503	158
Omaha, Our Redeemer	10,564	1,114
Omaha, Pilgrim	2,580	272

Location of Church	Apportioned Benevolence	Lutheran World Action
Omaha, St. Luke	11,779	1,242
Omaha, St. Matthew	3,764	397
Otoe, St. John	1,822	192
Papillion, Trinity	2,930	309
Polk, Trinity	956	101
Ralston, Messiah	1,214	128
Rising City, First	2,155	227
Stella, Trinity	182	19
Sterling, St. John	1,199	126
Sutton, Zion	1,260	133
Syracuse, First	380	40
Valley, St. Mark	1,336	141
Verdon, St. Mark	2,034	214
Walton, Grace	607	64
Wilber, First	3,127	330
York, First	2,156	227
Yutan, St. John	4,706	496

NORTHEAST CONFERENCE

NEBRASKA

Allen, First	2,201	232
Ames, Resurrection	486	51
Bloomfield, St. Mark	6,208	654
Columbus, St. John	3,613	381
Columbus, Trinity	8,743	922
Columbus, United	1,518	160
Creston, St. Peter	2,110	222
Dakota City, Salem	3,597	379
Emerson, St. Luke	3,188	336
Emerson, St. Paul	3,188	336
Fontanelle, Salem	2,520	266
Fremont, Salem	14,146	1,491
Homer, St. Paul	2,459	259
Hooper, Redeemer	8,455	891
Hooper, St. Paul	4,539	478
Hubbard, Trinity	1,412	149
Leigh, St. John	2,778	293
Leigh, St. Paul	1,670	176
Lindy, Good Shepherd	881	93
Madison, Emmanuel	1,199	126
Niobrara, Niobrara	1,321	139
Norfolk, St. John	5,039	531
North Bend, St. Matthew	1,032	108
Pender, St. Mark	7,650	806
Pender, St. Peter	2,672	282
Pierce, Christ	1,958	206
Pilger, St. Peter	2,474	261
Platte Center, Zion	1,427	150

Location of Church	Apportioned Benevolence	Lutheran World Action
Ponca, Salem	4,114	434
Schuyler, St. John	2,535	257
Scribner, St. John Ridgely	2,550	269
Scribner, St. John	2,414	254
Scribner, United	2,899	306
Snyder, Immanuel	714	75
South Sioux City, First	7,013	739
Spencer, United	1,442	152
Stanton, St. Luke	1,139	120
Tekamah, Emmanuel	3,810	402
Uehling, St. Paul	1,169	123
Wayne, Redeemer	8,348	880
Wayne, St. Paul	5,601	590
West Point, Grace	8,181	862
Winside, Trinity	2,064	218
Wisner, Christ	3,567	376
Vacoma	213	22
NORTHWEST CONFERENCE		
NEBRASKA		
Alliance, St. John	3,370	355
Blue Hill, St. Paul	2,747	290
Broadwater, Messiah	1,503	157
Broken Bow, Our Saviour	789	83
Chappell, Grace	820	86
Dalton, Trinity	1,913	202
Glenvil, St. Paul	1,366	144
Gothenburg, Zion	2,080	219
Grand Island, Messiah	8,849	923
Gurley, Grace	1,973	208
Hastings, Emmanuel	1,032	109
Hastings, First St. Paul	16,787	1,770
Hastings, St. Paul	1,624	171
Hildreth, St. Peter	3,901	411
Lewellen, Grace	1,624	171
Lodge Pole, Immanuel	1,943	205
North Platte, First	15,725	1,658
Oshkosh, St. Mark	2,080	219
Paxton, Trinity	3,825	403
Potter, First	2,156	227
Sidney, Holy Trinity	5,829	614
Stamford, Trinity	1,852	195
Sutherland, Grace	1,442	152
Wolbach, Trinity	3,324	350
SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE		
KANSAS		
Atchison, St. Mark	4,812	507
Bendena, St. John	3,446	363

Location of Church	Apportioned Benevolence	Lutheran World Action
Bethel, Prince of Peace	1,351	142
Kansas City, Trinity	3,552	374
Lancaster, St. John	1,989	210
Lawrence, Trinity	7,802	822
Prairie Village, Faith	6,466	682
Topeka, First	4,569	482
Valley Falls, St. Paul	1,230	130
MISSOURI		
Cole Camp, United	1,518	160
Columbia, St. Andrew	1,139	120
Kansas City, Bethlehem	3,597	379
Kansas City, Children's Memorial	4,478	472
Kansas City, Reformation	1,063	112
Kansas City, St. Mark	8,819	830
Lee's Summit, Martin Luther	972	102
Raytown, Blue Ridge Trinity	2,717	282
St. Joseph, First English	7,984	842
Sedalia, Trinity	1,822	192
Sunrise Beach, Kent Memorial	1,412	149
SOUTHERN CONFERENCE		
ARKANSAS		
Fort Smith, St. Luke	2,398	253
OKLAHOMA		
Midwest City, St. Mark	1,063	112
Oklahoma City, First	5,100	538
Perry, Zion	2,383	257
Stillwater, Salem	1,822	192
Tulsa, Ascension	1,973	208
Tulsa, First	7,438	784
TEXAS		
Darrouzett, St. Paul	941	99
Lipscomb, St. John	1,275	134
SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE		
KANSAS		
Abilene, Trinity	3,597	379
Beloit, Zion	3,840	405
Chapman, Scherer Memorial	1,639	173
Ellis, Christ	4,417	466
Emporia, St. Mark	3,188	336
Eureka, Christ	2,049	215
Glasco, St. Paul	2,110	222
Great Bend, St. Mark	2,763	292
Greenleaf, Trinity	1,397	147
Hanover, Zion	3,855	406
Hays, Trinity	2,732	288

Location of Church	Apportioned Benevolence	Lutheran World Action
Hoisington, Emmanuel	2,383	251
Hollenberg, Redeemer	622	66
Home, Friedens	1,214	128
Hutchinson, Zion	3,415	360
Linn, St. Paul	1,336	141
Mentor, St. Paul	987	104
New Cambria, Peace	501	53
Norcatur, St. Mark	228	24
Peabody, St. Paul	1,518	160
Perth, St. James	213	22
Russell, St. John	10,321	1,088
Russell, Trinity	1,715	181
Salina, St. John	9,927	1,046
WaKeeney, Bethlehem	2,565	270
WaKeeney, Zion	1,973	208
Washington, Good Shepherd	1,822	192
Waterville, St. Mark	3,005	317
Wellington, St. John	1,579	166
Wichita, Reformation	3,931	414
Wichita, St. Paul	9,122	962
Wilson, Excelsior	668	70
NEBRASKA		
Lanham, St. John	1,594	168

The above figures are based on the following figures:

Benevolence	$15.18
Lutheran World Action	1.60

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POPULATION:

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(2) 25,000 to 99,999
(3) 10,000 to 24,999
(4) 2,500 to 9,999
(5) 500 to 2,499
(6) Under 500

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	ARKANSAS																		
1	Fort Smith	St. Luke	1939	S	3420 Rogers Ave., Fort Smith, Ark.	Sebastian	1	Clemmond S. Bode	E	262	24	---	161	16	---	156	26	---	1
	IOWA																		
2	Northboro †	St. Paul	1963	C	1 mi. W. Northboro, Iowa	Fremont	6	Fred Gilmdorff	E	182	---	2	119	---	1	95	---	1	2
	KANSAS																		
3	Abilene	Trinity	1870	SW	Fourth & Cedar St., Abilene, Kans.	Dickinson	4	Fuller Bergstresser, D.D.	E	345	15	---	268	19	---	237	19	---	3
4	Atchison	St. Mark	1868	SE	600 S. Sixth St., Atchison, Kans.	Atchison	3	George L. Search	E	689	40	---	533	19	---	317	3	---	4
5	Beloit	Zion	1886	SW	7th & Mill Sts., Beloit, Kans.	Mitchell	4	George W. Eller	E	445	32	---	296	13	---	253	2	---	5
6	Bendena	St. John	1913	SE	Bendena, Kans.	Doniphan	6	Stanley C. Boggs	E	385	26	---	279	20	---	227	22	---	6
7	Bethel *	Prince of Peace	1967	SE	2215 N. 79 Terrace, Bethel, Kans.	Wyandotte	4	Frederick J. Julin	E	164	164	---	97	97	---	80	80	---	7
8	Chapman	Schauer Memorial	1889	SW	5th & Broadway, Chapman, Kans.	Dickinson	5	Vacant	1	290	2	---	159	8	---	106	---	5	8
9	Ellis	Christ	1907	SW	Ellis, Kans.	Ellis	5	J. F. Shirck	E	526	11	---	300	8	---	291	8	---	9
10	Emporia	St. Mark	1884	SW	7th Ave. & Constitution St., Emporia, Kans.	Lyon	3	Sherman E. Frederick	E	577	---	1	298	---	---	210	---	21	10
11	Havsa	Christ	1873	SW	319 N. Elm St., Havsa, Kans.	Greenwood	4	Eugene L. Smith	E	243	---	15	188	---	15	135	---	13	11
12	Glasco	St. Paul	1878	SW	Glasco, Kans.	Cloud	5	W. Merle Meeken (S)	E	273	---	1	204	---	8	139	---	37	12
13	Great Bend	St. Mark	1953	SW	21st & Jackson St., Great Bend, Kans.	Barton	3	Grant R. Van Boening	E	334	50	---	198	26	---	182	30	---	13
14	Greenleaf	Trinity	1882	SW	Greenleaf, Kans.	Washington	5	B. A. Barnell	E	132	---	3	112	2	---	92	4	---	14
15	Hanover	Zion	1874	SW	Kansas Ave. & Church St., Hanover, Kans.	Washington	5	P. O. Anderson	E	391	---	8	311	---	13	254	---	5	15
16	Hays	Trinity	1878	SW	13th & Fort Sts., Hays, Kans.	Ellis	3	Harry B. Hull	E	330	5	---	240	9	---	180	30	---	16
17	Hoisington	Emmanuel	1924	SW	220 E. 5th St., Hoisington, Kans.	Barton	4	Fred J. Wolf	E	359	---	4	245	2	---	157	---	5	17
18	Hollenberg	Redeemer	1956	SW	Hollenberg, Kans.	Washington	6	Paul C. Kuehner	E	72	2	---	50	---	---	41	1	---	18
19	Home	Friedens	1885	SW	Home, Kans.	Marshall	6	Vacant	E	184	---	7	115	---	9	80	---	1	19
20	Hutchinson	Zion	1888	SW	1015 N. Washington, Hutchinson, Kans.	Reno	2	Olney E. Eaton	E	444	20	---	313	11	---	225	6	---	20
21	Kansas City	Trinity	1902	SE	Ann Ave. at 17th St., Kansas City, Kans.	Wyandotte	1	R. W. Schricker	E	393	---	46	299	15	---	234	33	---	21
22	Lancaster	St. John	1905	SE	Lancaster, Kans.	Atchison	6	Vacant	E	239	8	---	150	10	---	131	---	7	22
23	Lawrence	Trinity	1867	SE	13th & New Hampshire Sts., Lawrence, Kan	Douglas	3	Harold E. Hamilton	E	1270	38	---	857	---	---	514	---	2	23
24	Linn	St. Paul	1916	SW	Linn, Kans.	Washington	5	Carl H. Schneider	E	126	---	6	99	---	2	88	13	---	24
25	Mentor	St. Paul	1874	SW	6½ mi. E, Mentor, Kans.	Saline	6	Paul L. Roweldt	E	302	190	---	209	142	---	65	12	---	25

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26	NewCambria	Peace	1875	SW	New Cambria, Kans.	Saline	6	Vacant	E	138	3	---	63	2	---	33	---	16	26
27	Norcatur	St. Mark	1888	SW	Norcatur, Kans.	Decatur	6	Vacant	E	73	---	8	28	---	6	15	---	5	27
28	Peabody	St. Paul	1877	SW	Sycamore & Division Sts., Peabody, Kans.	Marion	5	K. DuFresne, D.D.	E	323	13	---	246	6	---	100	---	1	28
29	Perth	St. James	1887	SW	Perth, Kans.	Sumner	6	Stanley McGeehee (S)	E	29	---	1	21	---	1	14	---	1	29
30	Prairie Village	Faith	1950	SE	67th St. & Roe Blvd., Prairie Village, Kans.	Johnson	1	W. F. Most	E	700	64	---	494	39	---	426	47	---	30
31	Russell	St. John	1900	SW	5th & Main Sts., Russell, Kans.	Russell	4	Otto A. Matthias	EG	1226	---	244	804	---	58	680	142	---	31
32	Russell	Trinity	1877	SW	12 mi. S, 1 mi. W, Russell, Kans.	Russell	6	Gunnar Albumin	EG	169	---	20	119	5	---	113	15	---	32
33	Salina	St. John	1873	SW	300 S. 7th St., Salina, Kans.	Saline	2	Walter H. Moeller, D.D.	E	1325	21	---	877	9	---	654	6	---	33
34	Topeka	First	1867	SE	434 Harrison St., Topeka, Kans.	Shawnee	1	Ernest F. Tossing	E	700	---	15	567	---	13	301	---	---	34
35	Valley Falls	St. Paul	1857	SE	701 Frazier Ave., Valley Falls, Kans.	Jefferson	5	F. Waldorf Lee (S)	E	185	---	11	131	---	9	81	---	5	35
36	WaKeeney	Bethlehem	1905	SW	Hester Ave. & 7th St., WaKeeney, Kans.	Trego	4	Edwin J. Hirsch	E	724	---	2	446	---	9	160	---	8	36
37	WaKeeney	Zion	1905	SW	US 283, 9 mi. S, WaKeeney, Kans.	Trego	6	Max H. Grieder	EG	214	---	1	179	---	2	150	---	---	37
38	Washington	Good Shepherd	1949	SW	Washington, Kans.	Washington	5	Harvey H. Burchardt	E	293	---	45	208	---	25	120	6	---	38
39	Waterville	St. Mark	1871	SW	Waterville, Kans.	Marshall	5	David H. Samuelson	E	420	2	---	250	2	---	192	43	---	39
40	Wellington	St. John	1888	SW	324 N. Jefferson, Wellington, Kans.	Sumner	4	Harvey J. Hindahl	E	233	43	---	121	19	---	104	15	---	40
41	Wichita	Reformation	1952	SW	6909 E. Kellogg St., Wichita, Kans.	Sedgwick	1	Joseph K. Pender	E	482	80	---	333	63	---	280	43	---	41
42	Wichita	St. Paul	1909	SW	925 N. Waco, Wichita, Kans.	Sedgwick	1	Ivan G. Matters	E	1345	60	---	803	43	---	601	---	10	42
43	Wilson	Evelider	1884	SW	7 mi. E, 1 mi. N, Wilson, Kans.	Ellsworth	6	Vacant	E	105	42	---	90	43	---	44	3	---	43
	MISSOURI																		
44	Cole Camp	United	1937	SE	Cole Camp, Mo.	Benton	5	Arthur E. Schmidt	E	173	1	---	130	---	1	100	---	---	44
45	Kansas City	Bethlehem United	1948	SE	Vivion Rd. & N. Troost, Kansas City, Mo.	Clay	1	William S. Rice	E	551	28	---	315	14	---	227	---	30	45
46	Kansas City	Children's Memorial	1894	SE	5001 Independence Ave., Kansas City, Mo.	Jackson	1	Calvin J. Nargis, D.D.	E	651	1	---	388	22	---	296	21	---	46
47	Kansas City	Reformation	1955	SE	9130 Holmes Rd., Kansas City, Mo.	Jackson	1	Robert D. Hamilton	E	162	17	---	91	8	---	70	5	---	47
48	Kansas City	St. Mark	1907	SE	3000 Troost Ave., Kansas City, Mo.	Jackson	1	Harry E. Allen	E	1185	10	---	977	22	---	581	7	---	48
49	Langdon	St. Peter	1871	C	Langdon, Mo.	Atchison	6	Clarence J. Hansen	E	104	1	---	149	---	---	88	---	4	49
50	Lee's Summit	Martin Luther	1955	SE	Ward Rd. & US 50, Lee's Summit, Mo.	Jackson	4	John E. Shirck	E	112	---	7	68	---	3	64	3	---	50
51	Raytown	Blue Ridge Trinity	1953	SE	8757 Blue Ridge Blvd., Raytown, Mo.	Jackson	3	Arthur W. Miller	E	306	97	---	243	63	---	179	43	---	51
52	Rock Port	First	1858	C	Rock Port, Mo.	Atchison	5	Clarence J. Hansen	E	511	19	---	413	11	---	288	---	39	52

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53	St. Joseph	First English	1894	SE	302 S. Tenth St., St. Joseph, Mo.	Buchanan	2	Martin G. Kabele	E	904	---	430	701	---	346	524	---	47	53
54	Sedalia	Trinity	1898	SE	10th & Osage Ave., Sedalia, Mo.	Pettis	2	David M. Funk	E	320	---	12	214	---	2	129	---	11	54
55	Sunrise Beach	Kent Memorial	1951	SE	Hwy. 5, 14 mi. N, Camdenton, Mo.	Camden	6	Raymond K. Johnson	E	169	30	---	140	29	---	93	26	---	55
56	Westboro	St. John	1886	C	7 mi. W, Westboro, Mo.	Atchison	6	F. W. Nolte, D.D.	E	427	3	---	308	5	---	250	---	2	56
	NEBRASKA																		
57	Allen	First	1912	NE	Allen, Neb.	Dixon	6	M. R. Simon	E	400	---	4	321	1	---	145	---	2	57
58	Alliance	St. John United	1950	NW	8th St. & Black Hills Ave., Alliance, Neb.	Box Butte	4	Royce J. Scherf	E	465	19	---	297	23	---	222	---	20	58
59	Ames	Resurrection	1952	NE	Ames, Neb.	Dodge	6	Robert H. Buhr (S)	E	65	---	7	34	---	8	32	---	7	59
60	Auburn †	St. John	1866	C	10 mi. SW, Auburn, Neb.	Nemaha	6	L. S. LaFontaine	E	334	---	5	224	---	1	186	4	---	60
61	Auburn	St. Paul	1884	C	21st & O Sts., Auburn, Neb.	Nemaha	4	Hugo Rathkamp, Jr.	E	906	41	---	595	19	---	394	---	9	61
62	Beatrice	Trinity United	1884	C	Ninth & Elk Sts., Beatrice, Neb.	Gage	3	Vacant	E	279	---	1	188	---	1	120	---	31	62
63	Bellevue	Immanuel	1944	C	2402 Franklin St., Bellevue, Neb.	Sarpy	4	Paul Konig	E	311	---	35	191	---	---	133	3	---	63
64	Benedict	Zion	1881	C	Benedict, Neb.	York	6	Vacant	E	283	---	5	209	---	7	106	---	7	64
65	Bennington	St. John	1898	C	Bennington, Neb.	Douglas	6	Lorin John Wolff, D.D.	E	604	---	45	454	---	38	335	---	98	65
66	Bloomfield	St. Mark	1906	NE	Bloomfield, Neb.	Knox	5	Henry G. Knaub	E	779	---	15	611	---	5	409	---	5	66
67	Blue Hill	St. Paul	1898	NW	Blue Hill, Neb.	Webster	5	A. H. Klickman	E	308	---	17	220	4	---	181	11	---	67
68	Broadwater	Messiah	1935	NW	Broadwater, Neb.	Morrill	6	Ernest C. Mortensen	E	295	19	---	134	11	---	99	2	---	68
69	Broken Bow	Our Saviour	1955	NW	12th & South D Sts., Broken Bow, Neb.	Custer	4	Vacant	E	105	4	---	71	4	---	52	---	14	69
70	Chappell	Grace	1941	NW	Chappell, Neb.	Devel	5	Norman E. Schroeder	E	87	8	---	56	6	---	54	7	---	70
71	Columbus	St. John	1881	NE	10 mi. NE, Columbus, Neb.	Platte	6	W. H. Saas	E	350	---	1	256	3	---	238	3	---	71
72	Columbus	Trinity	1928	NE	2207 11th St., Columbus, Neb.	Platte	3	John N. Slice	E	996	62	---	720	36	---	576	41	---	72
73	Columbus	United	1930	NE	1659 23rd Ave., Columbus, Neb.	Platte	3	Karl Gigstad	E	212	21	---	125	10	---	100	6	---	73
74	Creston	St. Peter	1891	NE	Creston, Neb.	Platte	6	W. F. V. Churchill	E	318	---	1	239	---	3	139	---	1	74
75	Dakota City	Salem	1872	NE	Rt. 35, 3 mi. W, Dakota City, Neb.	Dakota	6	Carl I. Empson	E	385	4	---	282	14	---	237	---	6	75
76	Dalton	Trinity	1913	NW	Dalton, Neb.	Cheyenne	5	John B. Rupley, D.D.	E	333	20	---	220	7	---	126	8	---	76
77	Davenport	Christ	1892	C	Davenport, Neb.	Thayer	6	Henry Dumler	E	477	---	2	237	---	2	200	---	---	77
78	Diller	St. Paul	1889	C	Diller, Neb.	Jefferson	6	Paul C. Kuehner	E	382	---	10	246	---	1	203	4	---	78
79	Diller	Zion	1910	SW	8 mi. SW, Diller, Neb.	Washington (Kan.)	6	Vacant	E	98	3	---	62	3	---	60	1	---	79

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80	Eagle	Trinity	1892	C	Eagle, Neb.	Cass	6	Foster L. Cress	E	58	---	3	41	---	2	18	---	---	80
81	Emerson	St. Luke	1911	NE	Second & State Sts., Emerson, Neb.	Dixon	5	Stanley D. Sennes	E	740	---	97	466	4	---	210	2	---	81
82	Emerson	St. Paul	1886	NE	Emerson, Neb.	Dixon	5	Daniel C. Schroeder	EG	573	13	---	392	2	---	210	---	9	82
83	Falls City	St. Paul	1913	C	320 W 20th St., Falls City, Neb.	Richardson	4	Paul L. Miller	E	1041	3	---	640	2	---	429	---	27	83
84	Falls City	St. Peter	1869	C	12 mi. NE, Falls City, Neb.	Richardson	6	H. M. Biedenweg	E	119	1	---	85	---	3	85	---	3	84
85	Fontanelle	Salem	1860	NE	Rt. 91, 10 mi. NE, Fremont, Neb.	Washington	6	A. C. Baughman	E	305	14	---	205	---	---	166	1	---	85
86	Fremont	Salem	1902	NE	401 E. Military Ave., Fremont, Neb.	Dodge	3	F. D. Boldt, D.D.	E	1662	---	70	1193	---	63	932	---	102	86
87	Glenvil	St. Paul	1878	NW	2 mi. NW, Glenvil, Neb.	Adams	6	Paul H. Moeller	E	186	---	4	122	---	7	90	---	---	87
88	Gothenburg	Zion	1887	NW	Rt. 47, 6 mi. N, Gothenburg, Neb.	Dawson	6	Wilfred H. Henning	E	224	1	---	146	5	---	137	4	---	88
89	Grand Island	Messiah	1883	NW	Seventh & Locust Sts., Grand Island, Neb.	Hall	2	Martin G. Schroeder	E	988	9	---	670	---	15	583	6	---	89
90	Grand Island	St. Paul English	1882	C	509 W. 2nd St., Grand Island, Neb.	Hall	2	Harvey Clark	E	2866	---	44	2204	---	8	1223	---	9	90
91	Gretna	Resurrection	1911	C	Gretna, Neb.	Sarpy	6	George J. Horber	E	537	15	---	398	5	---	265	4	---	91
92	Gurley	Grace	1916	NW	Gurley, Neb.	Cheyenne	6	Henry Trevey	E	249	11	---	174	9	---	130	---	11	92
93	Hampton	Emanuel	1916	C	Hampton, Neb.	Hamilton	6	W. C. Reinhardt	E	144	3	---	91	5	---	64	3	---	93
94	Hardy	St. Paul	1882	C	Hardy, Neb.	Nuckolls	6	G. Robert Hildebr	E	158	27	---	105	19	---	88	19	---	94
95	Hastings	Emanuel	1906	NW	7½ mi. SW, Hastings, Neb.	Adams	6	Paul H. Moeller	E	99	---	3	76	---	1	68	---	---	95
96	Hastings	First St. Paul	1878	NW	501 N. Burlington Ave., Hastings, Neb.	Adams	3	Paul M. DeFrene	E	2194	98	---	1378	68	---	1106	4	---	96
97	Hastings	St. Paul	1890	NW	New York Ave. & C St., Hastings, Neb.	Adams	3	LeRoy J. Dobbe	E	193	24	---	141	14	---	107	13	---	97
98	Hildreth	St. Peter	1901	NW	Hildreth, Neb.	Franklin	6	Ernest W. Seltzer	E	694	---	13	343	---	20	257	---	42	98
99	Homer	St. Paul	1886	NE	Homer, Neb.	Dakota	6	E. F. Bohlfing	E	294	1	---	279	3	---	162	3	---	99
100	Hooper	Grace	1915	NE	Hooper, Neb.	Dodge	5	Vacant	E	537	---	15	399	---	2	330	---	17	100
101	Hooper	St. Paul	1870	NE	6½ mi. NW, Hooper, Neb.	Dodge	5	Robert L. Lesher	EG	674	14	---	534	14	---	399	7	---	101
102	Hooper	Zion	1890	NE	Elk & Cedar Sts., Hooper, Neb.	Dodge	5	Vacant	EG	374	---	14	267	---	6	227	---	8	102
103	Hubbard	Trinity	1908	NE	Hubbard, Neb.	Dakota	6	E. F. Bohlfing	E	254	20	---	178	13	---	93	3	---	103
104	Johnson	St. Matthew	1906	C	Johnson, Neb.	Nemaha	6	Arthur W. Hueske	E	280	9	---	214	3	---	191	---	6	104
105	Latham	St. John	1885	SW	Latham, Neb.	Washington (Kan.)	6	Vacant	E	193	11	---	131	3	---	106	---	8	105
106	Leigh	St. John	1919	NE	Leigh, Neb.	Colfax	5	L. C. Wollenhaupt	E	482	---	3	378	---	4	183	---	6	106
107	Leigh	St. Paul	1881	NE	5½ mi. SW, Leigh, Neb.	Platte	6	W. F. V. Churchill	E	288	7	---	188	---	4	116	---	2	107
108	Lewellen	Grace	1906	NW	Lewellen, Neb.	Garden	3	T. J. C. Schmidt, D.D.	E	197	11	---	168	3	---	107	9	---	108

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109	Lincoln	Friedens	1907	C	540 D St., Lincoln, Neb.	Lancaster	1	Herman M. Gaede	EG	1182	4	---	669	2	---	504	25	---	109
110	Lincoln	Grace	1890	C	2225 Washington St., Lincoln, Neb.	Lancaster	1	Leland H. Lauber, D.D.	E	1898	71	---	1184	47	---	919	9	---	110
111	Lincoln	Latvian	1954	C	2144 Washington St., Lincoln, Neb.	Lancaster	1	Herbert Jaunlavs	Latv	475	---	5	349	19	---	344	---	21	111
112	Lincoln	St. John	1927	C	14th & New Hampshire Sts., Lincoln, Neb.	Lancaster	1	Vacant	E	75	13	---	52	2	---	36	1	---	112
113	Lincoln	United	1946	C	5945 N. 60th St., Lincoln, Neb.	Lancaster	1	E. C. Hansen, Std.	E	328	---	---	279	---	4	202	---	---	113
114	Lincoln †.	Zion	1881	C	4 mi. NW, Emerald, Neb.	Lancaster	6	Frederick C. Nolte	E	195	4	---	141	5	---	135	1	---	114
115	Lindy	Good Shepherd	1942	NE	Rt. 3, 15 mi. NW, Bloomfield, Neb.	Knox	4	John C. Heidbreder	E	252	8	---	163	2	---	58	---	---	115
116	Lodge Pole	Immanuel	1921	NW	Lodge Pole, Neb.	Cheyenne	5	Norman E. Schroeder	E	219	26	---	140	16	---	128	14	---	116
117	Louisville	Christ	1890	C	Neb. 66, 7 mi. E, Louisville, Neb.	Cass	6	A. R. J. Lenz, D.D.	E	178	2	---	139	---	1/3	130	---	2	117
118	McCool Junction	First	1900	C	McCool Junction, Neb.	York	6	Robert E. Gaston	E	266	4	---	169	---	---	107	---	3	118
119	Madison	Immanuel	1901	NE	Madison, Neb.	Madison	5	Vacant	E	113	---	7	92	---	7	79	---	7	119
120	Nebraska City	First	1866	C	3rd Corso & 9th St., Neb. City, Neb.	Otoe	4	Ted R. Youngerman	E	588	41	---	430	21	---	271	21	---	120
121	Niobrara	Niobrara	1948	NE	Niobrara, Neb.	Knox	5	John C. Heidbreder	E	315	29	---	194	22	---	87	---	2	121
122	Norfolk	St. John	1902	NE	Second St. & Philip Ave., Norfolk, Neb.	Madison	3	Richard L. Johnson	E	597	22	---	438	12	---	332	12	---	122
123	North Bend	St. Matthew	1891	NE	3½ mi. SW, Webster, Neb.	Dodge	5	Harlan A. Brei	E	143	4	---	74	2	---	68	9	---	123
124	North Platte	First	1870	NW	5th & Syracuse Sts., North Platte, Neb.	Lincoln	3	Marvin E. Suhr	E	2097	35	---	1418	---	4	1036	10	---	124
125	Ohiowa	Grace	1887	C	2½ mi. SW, Ohiowa, Neb.	Fillmore	6	Henning B. Pearson	E	110	2	---	91	2	---	85	---	3	125
126	Ohiowa	St. John	1880	C	Ohiowa, Neb.	Fillmore	6	Karl H. Konig	E	293	---	---	218	---	1	218	---	1	126
127	Omaha	First English	1907	C	2547 N. 62nd St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Robert J. Haut	E	850	---	20	529	---	61	473	---	82	127
128	Omaha	Grace	1889	C	1326 S. 26th St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Henry J. Goede	E	536	60	---	359	22	---	359	22	---	128
129	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1858	C	2650 Farnam St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Walter H. Traub, D.D.	E	5681	---	45	4309	---	37	2092	---	---	129
130	Omaha	Luther Memorial	1936	C	61st & Western Ave., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Kendig W. Bupley	E	841	259	---	549	197	---	490	155	---	130
131	Omaha	Morning Star	1956	C	330 S. 84th St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Martin C. Ashley	E	201	69	---	117	41	---	99	34	---	131
132	Omaha	Our Redeemer	1917	C	4757 N. 24th St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Claudius E. Jensen	E	1540	23	---	1081	18	---	696	15	---	132
133	Omaha	Pilgrim	1955	C	42nd & Bancroft Sts., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Charles B. Murnan (S)	E	345	---	21	193	---	27	170	---	50	133
134	Omaha	St. Luke	1905	C	2315 I St., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	A. H. Pinkall	E	1565	9	---	1020	2	---	776	1	---	134
135	Omaha	St. Matthew	1952	C	60th & Walnut Sts., Omaha, Neb.	Douglas	1	Hugo H. F. Welchert	E	496	94	---	313	54	---	248	74	---	135
136	Oshkosh	St. Mark	1906	NW	Oshkosh, Neb.	Garden	5	T. J. C. Schuldt, D.D.	E	246	27	---	180	20	---	137	2	---	136
137	Otoe	St. John	1901	C	Otoe, Neb.	Otoe	6	R. M. Sauberswelg, ThD.	E	270	---	8	199	---	5	120	---	---	137

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138	Papillion	Trinity	1908	C	Papillion, Neb.	Sarpy	5	C. R. Goldenstein	E	421	2	---	324	2	---	193	---	83	138
139	Paxton	Trinity	1902	NW	Paxton, Neb.	Keith	5	Delbert L. Daire	E	489	17	---	270	6	---	252	13	---	139
140	Pender †	St. Mark	1916	NE	Pender, Neb.	Thurston	5	Walter E. Rowoldt	E	887	---	3	629	---	6	504	---	6	140
141	Pender	St. Peter	1888	NE	4½ mi. W. Pender, Neb.	Thurston	6	Victor Moeller	E	282	---	29	198	---	27	176	12	---	141
142	Pierce	Christ	1903	NE	Pierce, Neb.	Pierce	5	H. J. Diekhoff	E	231	---	16	176	---	7	129	---	7	142
143	Pilger	St. Peter	1900	NE	Pilger, Neb.	Stanton	5	Vacant	E	337	---	23	249	---	10	163	---	23	143
144	Platte Center	Zion	1891	NE	7½ mi. NE, Platte Center, Neb.	Platte	6	Vacant	E	141	---	10	94	---	8	94	---	6	144
145	Polk	Trinity	1955	C	Polk, Neb.	Polk	6	Vacant	E	107	10	---	68	7	---	63	6	---	145
146	Ponca	Salem	1856	NE	Hwy. 9 & Church St., Ponca, Neb.	Dixon	5	Paul Wiegman	E	577	6	---	384	---	6	271	---	2	146
147	Potter	First	1893	NW	Potter, Neb.	Cheyenne	6	Vernon A. Hintermeyer	E	248	8	---	160	7	---	142	4	---	147
148	Ralston	Messiah	1956	C	7748 Oakwood St., Ralston, Neb.	Douglas	4	H. G. Hitzeman	E	186	40	---	101	23	---	80	6	---	148
149	Rising City	First	1881	C	Rising City, Neb.	Butler	6	Loyal E. Mortensen	E	316	10	---	236	3	---	142	---	30	149
150	Schuyler	St. John	1891	NE	9th & Denver Sts., Schuyler, Neb.	Colfax	4	Jearald J. Shaft	E	341	9	---	203	6	---	167	---	13	150
151	Scribner	St. John	1901	NE	9 mi. NE, Scribner, Neb.	Dodge	6	Lester Lamm	E	242	2	---	168	5	---	159	7	---	151
152	Scribner	St. John Ridgeley	1874	NE	6 mi. SW, Scribner, Neb.	Dodge	5	Marion A. Brei	E	271	2	---	188	---	2	168	---	2	152
153	Scribner	United	1855	NE	Scribner, Neb.	Dodge	5	Raymond R. Pfeiffer	E	337	---	10	215	---	11	191	---	10	153
154	Sidney	Holy Trinity	1888	NW	San Marino at Lodge Pole Rd., Sidney, Neb.	Cheyenne	4	Henry Monnich	E	1089	74	---	582	29	---	384	26	---	154
155	Snyder	Immanuel	1899	NE	Snyder, Neb.	Dodge	6	Raymond R. Pfeiffer	E	72	---	24	52	---	19	47	---	5	155
156	South Sioux City	First	1920	NE	201 E. 21st St., South Sioux City, Neb.	Dakota	4	Samuel W. Jensen	E	1063	17	---	630	---	9	462	---	19	156
157	Spencer	United	1930	NE	Spencer, Neb.	Boyd	5	Hugh Dexter	E	283	25	---	175	15	---	95	---	31	157
158	Stanford	Trinity	1888	NW	Stanford, Neb.	Harlan	6	Dale W. Rourke	E	210	7	---	141	2	---	122	---	13	158
159	Stanton	St. Luke	1903	NE	Stanton, Neb.	Stanton	5	Vacant	E	141	---	2	101	---	4	75	---	---	159
160	Stella	Trinity	1884	C	Stella, Neb.	Richardson	6	Frederick Freytag (E)	E	45	---	4	34	---	2	13	---	---	160
161	Sterling	St. John	1883	C	1 mi. S. Sterling, Neb.	Johnson	6	Vilmote Grieselde	E	137	---	1	110	9	---	79	---	2	161
162	Sutherland	Grace	1902	NW	Sutherland, Neb.	Lincoln	5	John Elmle	E	163	34	---	107	24	---	86	35	---	162
163	Sutton	Zion	1894	C	Sutton, Neb.	Clay	5	Vacant	E	123	---	1	94	---	5	83	---	5	163
164	Syracuse	First	1880	C	Syracuse, Neb.	Otoe	5	E. M. Sauberzweig, Ph.D. (E)	E	65	---	10	53	---	5	28	---	5	164
165	Tekamah	Emmanuel	1877	NE	12th & L sts., Tekamah, Neb.	Burt	5	Robert E. Schlichter	E	414	---	36	277	32	---	251	37	---	165
166	Tobias	St. Paul	1894	NE	Tobias, Neb.	Dodge	6	Lester Lamm	E	116	19	---	85	10	---	77	7	---	166

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167	Yacoma	St. John	1893	NE	11 mi. E. Hooper, Neb.	Washington	6	A. C. Baughman (S)	E	48	---	2	22	---	4	14	---	3	167
168	Valley	St. Mark	1953	C	Valley, Neb.	Douglas	5	C. H. Goede	E	202	---	15	111	---	15	88	---	2	168
169	Verdon	St. Mark	1883	C	2 mi. S. 1 mi. E. Verdon, Neb.	Richardson	6	Harlan F. Heier	E	239	6	---	153	3	---	134	1	---	169
170	Walton	Grace	1916	C	Walton, Neb.	Lancaster	6	Foster L. Cress	E	96	---	11	68	---	6	40	---	8	170
171	Wayne	Redeemer	1889	NE	Fifth & Lincoln Sts., Wayne, Neb.	Wayne	4	S. K. DeFreese	E	1032	115	---	615	45	---	550	28	---	171
172	Wayne	St. Paul	1881	NE	Fifth & Pearl Sts., Wayne, Neb.	Wayne	4	Robert E. Shirck	E	670	---	16	493	---	8	369	14	---	172
173	West Point	Grace	1874	NE	West Point, Neb.	Cuming	4	George P. Krebs	E	1184	5	---	753	8	---	539	3	---	173
174	Wilber	First	1889	C	Wilber, Neb.	Saline	5	H. C. Cordts	E	552	---	11	297	---	13	206	---	13	174
175	Winside	Trinity	1901	NE	Winside, Neb.	Wayne	6	M. K. Gulbis	E	346	12	---	256	4	---	136	---	23	175
176	Wisner	Christ	1897	NE	Wisner, Neb.	Cuming	5	Edward J. Amend	E	410	24	---	271	22	---	235	14	---	176
177	Wolbach	Trinity	1903	NE	Wolbach, Neb.	Greeley	6	Donald L. Albert	E	462	---	75	253	---	66	219	---	5	177
178	York	First	1903	C	8th St. & Grant Ave., York, Neb.	York	4	Robert E. Gaston	E	329	10	---	241	7	---	142	10	---	178
179	Yutan	St. John	1901	C	Yutan, Neb.	Saunders	6	Karl Konig	E	621	1	---	503	1	---	310	1	---	179
	OKLAHOMA																		
180	Oklahoma City	First	1902	S	1300 N. Robinson St., Okla. City, Okla.	Oklahoma	1	Louis H. DeFreese	E	524	24	---	376	16	---	336	---	4	180
181	Perry	Zion	1897	S	5 mi. E. Perry, Okla.	Noble	6	A. J. Duis	E	226	5	---	162	9	---	157	12	---	181
182	Stillwater	Salem	1911	S	101 S. Duck St., Stillwater, Okla.	Payne	3	A. J. Duis	E	174	15	---	123	12	---	120	16	---	182
183	Tulsa	Ascension	1955	S	4801 S. Lewis Ave., Tulsa, Okla.	Tulsa	1	Edward W. Amend	E	253	45	---	144	26	---	130	27	---	183
184	Tulsa	First	1909	S	1645 E. 13th St., Tulsa, Okla.	Tulsa	1	Vernon F. Jacobs	E	822	56	---	576	34	---	490	54	---	184
	SOUTH DAKOTA																		
185	Tea	Trinity	1889	NE	12 mi. SW, Sioux Falls, S.D.	Lincoln	6	Vacant	E	323	---	---	173	2	---	141	---	---	185
	TEXAS																		
186	Darrouzett	St. Paul	1905	S	Darrouzett, Tex.	Lipscomb	6	H. O. Rhode	E	79	---	2	62	---	4	62	---	4	186
187	Lipscomb	St. John	1915	S	Lipscomb, Tex.	Lipscomb	6	J. A. Bahnsen (S)	EG	128	---	---	88	---	---	84	---	---	187

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	ARKANSAS																																							
1	Fort Smith, St. Luke	262	161	150	23	13	36	4	—	14	—	18	18	—	—	13	13	3	34	2	4	12	18	1	27	65	5	22	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	—	1	2	1
	IOWA																																							
2	Northlawn, St. Paul	182	119	95	2	—	2	—	—	3	—	3	—	1	—	2	—	—	2	1	2	—	3	1	13	70	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	—	—	2	2
	KANSAS																																							
3	Abilene, Trinity	265	269	237	10	—	10	2	—	—	6	14	—	4	2	10	2	—	20	4	5	—	9	1	20	126	10	20	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	4	3
4	Atchison, St. Mark	489	522	317	20	2	22	6	2	1	—	9	11	—	10	11	15	2	38	7	10	2	19	1	24	170	—	22	—	—	—	—	—	15	1	—	2	11	4
5	Beloit, Zion	445	296	253	20	11	31	6	2	4	—	12	19	—	7	13	10	—	30	2	15	—	17	1	19	130	—	20	—	—	—	—	—	22	—	—	2	4	5
6	Bendena, St. John	285	279	227	13	5	17	4	1	4	—	11	6	—	4	16	7	—	27	2	4	—	7	1	24	142	—	23	—	—	—	—	—	20	—	—	2	4	6
7	Bethel, Prince of Peace	164	97	80	16	52	68	—	—	—	1	1	67	—	9	23	51	15	97	—	—	—	—	1	15	96	—	23	—	—	—	—	—	21	—	—	1	2	7
8	Chapman, Scherer Memorial	290	150	160	1	—	1	5	—	2	—	7	—	6	—	5	6	—	11	2	1	—	3	1	17	92	6	13	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	—	2	2	6
9	Ellis, Christ	326	260	201	10	2	12	7	—	2	—	9	3	—	3	9	1	3	16	3	7	—	10	1	21	174	25	24	—	—	—	—	—	9	1	—	—	2	9
10	Emporia, St. Mark	377	286	210	11	3	14	5	1	11	—	17	—	1	4	7	6	—	17	8	9	—	17	1	11	174	—	27	—	—	—	—	—	16	1	—	1	10	10
11	Hanks, Christ	242	184	155	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	6	—	6	3	17	—	20	1	11	65	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	9	1	—	—	2	11
12	Hope, St. Paul	272	204	130	7	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	2	2	—	—	4	5	7	—	12	1	20	130	—	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	12
13	Great Bend, St. Mark	334	198	182	23	23	46	9	—	10	—	21	21	—	6	16	27	—	49	—	27	—	27	1	16	158	—	24	—	—	—	—	—	20	—	—	1	2	13
14	Greenleaf, Trinity	135	112	92	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	6	—	6	—	7	—	2	9	1	4	2	7	1	9	94	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	—	1	—	14
15	Hanover, Zion	291	211	204	13	—	13	3	—	3	—	7	5	—	2	8	1	3	14	1	13	7	27	1	14	80	—	—	—	—	—	1	14	15	1	—	—	2	15
16	Hays, Trinity	356	248	186	7	—	7	8	—	3	—	11	—	4	4	8	24	—	36	—	7	22	29	1	26	156	—	24	—	—	—	—	—	26	—	—	—	2	16
17	Herington, Emanuel	258	245	187	14	7	21	7	—	11	9	27	—	6	—	9	4	2	15	—	6	8	13	1	20	60	22	42	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	1	2	17
18	Hoisington, Emanuel	72	50	41	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	1	6	42	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	18
19	Hope, Friedens	184	118	80	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	1	4	34	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	19
20	Hutchinson, Zion	444	313	225	14	8	22	6	—	6	—	12	10	—	8	8	21	—	37	8	14	—	22	1	22	170	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	—	—	2	4	20
21	Kansas City, Trinity	262	200	204	15	6	21	8	—	8	75	91	—	41	3	15	21	—	37	8	14	—	22	1	22	130	20	20	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	—	2	4	21
22	Lancaster, St. John	230	150	121	9	—	9	9	—	2	—	11	—	2	2	9	—	—	14	1	3	—	4	1	12	100	—	17	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	2	—	22
23	Lawrence, Trinity	1270	827	514	64	18	82	14	1	7	—	22	60	—	7	20	14	—	41	9	41	—	50	1	21	300	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	—	—	2	42	23
24	Linn, St. Paul	150	80	68	2	1	3	2	—	2	2	6	—	4	—	6	4	2	16	2	2	7	11	1	12	82	—	14	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	2	—	24
25	Marion, St. Paul	265	200	68	6	41	47	1	—	—	—	1	46	—	5	6	2	154	168	2	2	—	4	1	12	82	—	—	—	—	—	2	10	—	—	—	—	25
26	New Cambria, Peace	130	60	60	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	2	1	—	6	2	2	—	4	1	2	60	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26
27	Newton, St. Mark	72	50	50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	4	—	8	1	4	36	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	27
28	Parkside, St. Paul	252	240	180	10	—	10	1	—	2	—	3	7	—	2	6	6	—	14	2	6	—	8	1	18	81	18	22	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	4	28
29	Perth, St. James	59	31	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	8	32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	29
30	Pueblo Village, Faith	748	494	458	32	50	82	6	—	26	68	98	58	—	4	7	93	10	114	—	89	57	86	1	60	410	—	80	5	5	50	—	—	60	—	—	—	10	30
31	Russell, St. John	1234	864	600	30	15	45	—	—	10	100	110	—	100	3	9	10	3	30	11	81	80	100	1	80	610	—	84	—	—	—	—	—	80	—	—	—	80	31

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		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism	By Confirmation	Total	Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Number	Enrolled Members	In Sunday School	In Home Department	Sunday Sch.	Number	Enrolled Members	Pupils	Leaders	Children Enrolled	Catechumens (Children and Adults)	In Lutheran Theological Seminaries	In Lutheran Preparatory Institutions	In Other Lutheran Institutions	In Non-Lutheran Institutions	
64	Sandin, Minn.	283	209	196	6	----	6	----	---	4	----	4	2	---	---	----	----	4	4	2	9	----	11	1	16	75	1	10	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	64
65	Bensington, St. John	604	454	335	12	7	20	2	---	11	2	27	---	7	---	2	6	---	14	1	27	14	32	1	10	140	---	30	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	65
66	Bloomfield, St. Mark	779	611	409	23	8	31	17	---	16	8	41	---	10	4	30	2	1	37	4	18	10	32	1	40	270	---	65	1	2	47	---	---	---	---	---	---	66
67	Blue Hill, St. Paul	300	220	181	4	----	4	16	---	9	----	25	---	21	---	18	2	----	20	---	9	7	16	1	22	94	---	16	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	67
68	Brookston, Minnesota	295	154	99	14	----	14	4	2	1	----	8	6	---	7	7	1	----	15	3	1	----	4	1	18	60	---	16	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	68
69	Broken Bow, Our Saviour	105	71	82	4	5	9	4	---	5	----	9	---	---	2	4	4	2	12	---	8	----	8	1	6	24	---	7	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	69
70	Chappell, Grace	67	56	54	2	2	4	2	---	----	----	2	2	---	---	5	4	----	9	1	----	2	3	1	8	35	---	8	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	70
71	Columbus, St. John	350	256	230	9	----	9	13	1	----	----	15	---	4	1	13	3	----	17	7	7	----	14	1	19	83	---	30	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	71
72	Columbus, Trinity	994	739	576	31	22	53	14	---	13	----	27	26	---	1	33	33	----	67	3	28	----	31	1	29	276	---	63	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	72
73	Columbus, United	213	135	100	9	8	17	3	---	3	----	6	11	---	---	4	4	2	10	1	3	----	3	1	10	70	---	10	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	73
74	Craion, St. Peter	318	230	139	6	----	6	4	---	----	2	6	2	---	---	6	2	----	8	2	7	1	11	1	15	79	---	28	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	74
75	Dakota City, Salem	383	283	227	8	----	8	9	---	2	7	18	---	10	1	17	1	2	21	1	4	2	7	1	47	150	---	36	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	75
76	Dalton, Trinity	233	230	134	13	4	17	3	---	1	----	4	13	---	2	2	2	1	13	1	4	----	5	1	24	74	---	17	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	76
77	Davenport, Christ	477	337	260	9	----	9	4	---	5	----	9	---	---	2	6	3	----	13	1	14	----	15	1	33	187	3	18	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	77
78	Dilley, St. Paul	382	344	283	10	----	10	12	---	7	----	19	---	9	2	13	----	1	16	2	14	----	16	1	8	104	---	33	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	78
79	Dilley, St. Paul	88	61	60	2	----	2	2	---	----	----	2	---	---	---	2	----	----	2	---	----	----	---	1	4	30	---	----	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	79
80	Eagle, Trinity	84	61	58	1	----	1	----	---	2	----	2	---	1	---	----	2	2	4	2	4	----	6	1	4	30	---	----	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	80
81	Elsmere, St. Luke	748	605	510	16	----	16	18	---	3	99	117	---	101	1	10	1	----	12	2	9	----	11	1	36	288	6	69	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	81
82	Elsmere, St. Paul	875	588	550	22	----	22	6	---	4	----	11	11	---	---	6	4	1	13	2	9	----	11	1	17	138	13	72	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	82
83	Falls City, St. Paul	1941	640	439	10	----	10	16	---	3	----	19	1	---	2	16	9	----	26	1	22	----	24	1	36	252	---	87	1	1	96	---	---	---	---	---	---	83
84	Falls City, St. Peter	119	86	86	4	----	4	----	---	----	----	----	4	---	2	----	----	----	2	1	----	----	1	1	6	36	---	17	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	84
85	Fairmont, Salem	388	388	198	18	7	25	3	---	6	----	11	14	---	---	6	6	1	13	2	10	----	12	1	27	138	---	47	---	---	---	---	6	66	---	---	---	85
86	Fremont, Salem	1403	1198	822	38	30	68	17	---	26	10	73	---	7	4	69	88	2	81	6	88	70	164	1	35	324	96	115	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	86
87	Ghent, St. Paul	108	102	90	6	----	6	----	---	2	----	2	4	---	---	----	----	----	----	2	4	----	7	1	6	70	---	19	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	87
88	Gothenburg, Zion	304	168	127	5	----	5	6	---	2	----	8	7	---	4	1	6	4	11	2	4	----	6	1	28	86	---	24	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	88
89	Grand Island, Bismark	966	670	603	28	15	43	21	---	7	----	28	24	---	9	29	25	----	63	4	28	23	55	1	34	265	---	----	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	89
90	Grand Island, St. Paul English	2004	2294	1253	68	33	89	22	---	23	26	108	---	36	15	68	32	4	121	21	68	68	158	1	48	688	---	174	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	90
91	Grove, Immanuel	227	208	208	14	1	15	8	---	----	----	8	10	---	1	18	----	9	13	3	3	----	6	1	8	108	---	62	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	91
92	Guide, Grace	240	174	138	6	1	6	4	---	----	----	4	2	---	2	4	4	----	14	2	2	1	5	1	8	88	---	32	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	92
93	Hampton, Emmanuel	144	91	66	1	----	1	----	---	2	----	2	---	2	1	2	4	----	7	---	2	----	2	1	8	61	---	----	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	93
94	Hardy, St. Paul	158	140	80	8	10	18	7	---	2	----	16	2	---	---	7	4	4	15	---	2	----	2	1	15	60	---	----	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	94
95	Hastings, Immanuel	88	79	69	----	----	----	----	---	2	----	2	---	2	----	----	----	----	----	2	----	----	2	1	9	60	---	----	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	95
96	Hastings, First St. Paul	3144	1878	1384	78	47	125	38	8	44	----	90	35	---	8	71	35	----	114	12	83	----	95	1	114	880	19	172	1	2	68	---	---	100	8	----	8	96
97	Hastings, St. Paul	190	141	107	8	10	18	6	---	----	----	6	12	---	2	2	4	2	10	1	4	2	10	1	8	78	---	38	---	---	---	---	---	16	---	---	---	97

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		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Confession	By Certificate	Total	Dismissed by Certificate	Dismissed by Death	By Confession	By Certificate	Total	Gain	Loss	By Confession	By Certificate	By Reaffirmation	Total	Dismissed by Death	By Confession	By Certificate	Total	Teachers	Total Enrollment	Officers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Teachers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Leaders	Children Enrolled	Communicants (Children and Adults)					
96	Hildreth, St. Peter	494	342	327	13	2	15			7		7	8									10	10		98	1	94	107		97				17	1		8	7	96
97	Hoest, St. Paul	336	279	142	14		14	10		5	1	16		2		13		9		15		6	10		98	1	93	115		95				20			4	4	97
100	Hoppe, Grace	337	300	230	13	2	15	9		14	8	31		13	9	11	6			16		6	10		98	1	93	115		95	1	4	90	20			3	3	100
101	Hoppe, St. Paul	474	334	299	14		14	14				14				14	5			19		6	9		98	1	93	110		95				20			3	3	101
102	Hoppe, Zion	374	287	227	4	6	9	3		11		14		10		10	5	1		16		7	11	9	98	1	94	110		95				20			1	3	102
103	Hubbard, Trinity	254	176	95	9	7	16	2				2	9		9	9	5			18		9	9		98	1	94	110		95	1	4	90	20				3	103
104	Johnson, St. Matthew	393	314	181	1	9	10	5				5	5		1	9	6			16		6	4	6	98	1	94	110		95				20				3	104
105	Lambert, St. John	143	121	105	1	7	8						8			8	5			9		3	9		98	1	93	110		95				20				3	105
106	Leigh, St. John	491	379	183	13		13	8		6		9	4			9	5	1		15		7	9	6	98	1	94	110		95				20			1	3	106
107	Leigh, St. Paul	366	189	116	8	10	18	8		1		9	10			9	6			15		6	9	6	98	1	94	110		95				20			1	3	107
108	Lovelace, Grace	197	149	107	6	4	9		1			1	8		9	9	4			13		6	9		98	1	94	110		95				20				3	108
109	Lincoln, Fridaen	1193	689	500	30	25	61	27	2	14	10	53	8		1	27	12	2		45		16	8	10	98	1	94	110		95				20				21	109
110	Lincoln, Grace	1099	1184	819	30	25	64	17	2	21		40	24		7	85	44			135		7	61	30	98	1	94	110		95	1	4	90	20			4	22	110
111	Lincoln, Lutheran	475	349	246	6	3	9	5		14	10	29		20	6	4	4			14		6	9	6	98	1	94	110		95	1	3	90	20				20	111
112	Lincoln, St. John	73	52	30	4	11	15			4		4	11		1	9				10		1	7		98	1	94	110		95				20					112
113	Lincoln, United	524	379	265	11	15	26	6	1	16		23	6			18				25		10	15		98	1	94	110		95				20				4	113
114	Lincoln, Zion	195	111	105	3	9	6	6			1	7		1	1	7				8		2	7	3	98	1	94	110		95				20			2		114
115	Lindy, Good Shepherd	252	140	90	7	4	11	8			9	9	6			9		9		9		7			98	1	94	110		95				20				4	115
116	Lodge Pole, Immanuel	219	146	139	10	4	14	6		8		14	6		1	9	10	1		21		9	9		98	1	94	110		95				20			1	3	116
117	Louisville, Christ	179	139	139	11		11	6			6	6	6		1	7		1		8		3	9		98	1	94	110		95				20			2	2	117
118	McCool Junction, First	288	169	167	7		7	9				9	6		1	9				10		3	9		98	1	94	110		95				20			1	3	118
119	Madison, Immanuel	113	92	79	1		1	1				1	6			6				6		3	10		98	1	94	110		95	1	4						3	119
120	Nebraska City, First	588	488	371	13	18	31	7				7	24			16				16		6	9		98	1	94	110		95				20				3	120
121	Nebraska, Shalom	218	196	87	14	4	18	4		4		8	10			16		4		20		7	9		98	1	94	110		95				20				3	121
122	Norfolk, St. John	307	230	230	21	20	41	11		20		31	10			25	10			35		7	9		98	1	94	110		95				20				4	122
123	North Bend, St. Matthew	140	74	60	4		4	2				2	6			6				6		3	10		98	1	94	110		95				20			1		123
124	North Platte, First	2007	1414	1000	60	31	97	35	1	24	4	64	33		11	80	57			148		6	80	9	98	1	94	110	10	95	1	4	90	20			4	30	124
125	Nuhaka—Open	119	91	60	4		4	4				4	2			2				2		2	10		98	1	94	110		95				20					125
126	Nuhaka, St. John	268	218	218	1		1						1			1				1			10		98	1	94	110		95				20					126
127	Omaha, First English	656	559	475	24	65	89	29		6		35	54		2	33	6	2		43		17	10		98	1	94	110		95	1	4	90	20			1	7	127
128	Omaha, Grace	534	399	300	22	19	41	9		9		18	23		2	33	16	2		53		17	10		98	1	94	110		95	1	4	90	20				4	128
129	Omaha, Saxon Memorial	3031	4369	2000	130	72	202	98	9	106	60	273		6	21	80	101	20		221		85	110	60	98	1	94	110		95	1	4	90	20				9	129
130	Omaha, Luther Memorial	611	549	450	42	21	63	24	1	6		31	32		1	21	110	21		167		6	10		98	1	94	110		95	1	4	90	20			1	11	130
131	Omaha, Morning Star	201	117	90	11	10	21	1	1			2	19		11	24				35			10		98	1	94	110		95				20					131

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																		UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTIONED			
	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Church Building	Parsonage	Land and/or Real Estate	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Local	Total	Missionary	Parish Education	Home Missions	Local Benevolences	Other Benevolences	Total	Synodical	Local	Total Apportioned	Total Expenditures	Pastor's Name
132	----	----	2	77	2	46	4	80	60000	17000	------	------	18500	95500	11683	21187	939	22076	673	566	97	494	1449	3279	9076	7805	11984	32140	132
133	1	30	2	30	1	25	1	15	25000	15000	21000	------	1000	62000	33688	15273	4044	20018	73	28	77	----	----	178	3417	884	534	20034	133
134	2	15	1	120	3	85	3	153	225000	------	------	------	96058	321058	------	25164	768	25932	1202	1384	135	301	1836	4752	10541	10141	14992	40019	134
135	1	35	1	60	----	----	2	49	175000	25000	------	------	------	200000	78287	8231	12165	20396	621	85	----	235	614	1705	1766	1815	3520	23916	135
136	----	----	2	60	----	----	1	30	6500	4000	------	------	------	8500	------	5716	251	5967	5	------	------	213	141	379	1330	949	1228	7195	136
137	1	30	2	55	1	10	1	9	24000	5000	------	------	------	29000	------	5330	------	5330	75	------	------	------	208	283	1412	690	832	6162	137
138	1	9	2	48	----	----	1	9	15000	10000	------	------	------	25000	------	7367	166	7733	245	------	------	132	228	605	4042	2945	3550	11263	138
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140	1	32	2	110	1	40	1	33	125000	21000	------	------	2000	150000	750	9584	6500	16084	------	------	------	------	5065	5065	6949	1119	6184	22370	140
141	1	10	2	55	----	----	1	20	20000	20000	------	------	10000	50000	------	3826	150	3976	63	------	------	------	339	402	1961	727	1129	5107	141
142	1	18	2	50	----	----	1	16	22000	8000	500	------	------	30500	------	5733	1267	7000	71	8	------	10	308	397	1813	1035	1432	8433	142
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145	----	----	1	28	----	----	----	----	35000	------	------	------	------	35000	8000	1800	4485	6285	------	------	------	------	------	------	725	331	331	6716	145
146	1	10	1	45	----	----	2	35	50000	12000	------	------	------	62000	------	7196	1323	8518	842	111	111	111	1139	2314	3586	2980	5294	13912	146
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158	----	----	1	33	----	----	1	20	20000	3000	------	------	------	23000	------	6099	------	6099	283	------	------	37	368	688	1638	1638	2318	8417	158
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161	----	----	1	14	----	----	1	10	7000	4000	300	------	1600	12900	------	3322	633	3955	140	------	------	18	226	384	1276	899	1283	5238	161
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		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism	Otherwise	Total	Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Bible Department	Nursery Roll	Number	Staff Members	Pupils	Leaders	Children Enrolled	Catechumens (Children and Adults)	In Lutheran Theological Seminaries	In Lutheran Deaconess Motherhouses	In Other Lutheran Institutions	In Non-Lutheran Institutions	
166	Uehling, St. Paul	116	85	77	6	3	9						9			1	6	4	11	1			1	1	12	40		6					1				1	166
167	Vienna, St. John	48	22	14	3		3				1	1	2							1		3	4																167
168	Valley, St. Mark	202	111	88	3	6	9			9		9				2	10	6	18		13	20	33	1	12	103		9					14			2		168
169	Verden, St. Mark	239	152	134	9		9	3		3		6	3			2	6	1	12	5	4		9	1	20	134		18					14				2	169
170	Walton, Grace	96	68	60	1		1			6		6		5		2		2	4	2	6	2	10	1	10	85		16					16				3	170
171	Wayne, Redeemer	1032	615	550	29	51	90	20				20	70			3	24	18	11	56	11			11	1	31	294		89					28			1	12	171
172	Wayne, St. Paul	670	492	369	15		15	8		15		23		8			13	6		19	4	23		27	1	30	149		33					29			6	8	172
173	West Point, Grace	1184	753	539	33	13	46	19	2	28		49		3		6	30	12	14	62	8	44	2	54	1	26	265		47					26			9	7	173
174	Wilbur, First	552	297	206	6		6	4				4	2			2	4	2		8	2	19		21	1	19	115		32								6	8	174
175	Winside, Trinity	346	256	126	7	5	12				4	4	8				1	6	8	15	2	8	4	11	1	13	79		19					13			6	4	175
176	Wisner, Christ	410	271	235	14	6	20	3		7	8	18	2				5	12	16	33	3		8	11	1	12	116	4	29					17	1		1	7	176
177	Wolbach, Trinity	462	253	219	10		10	11		8		19		9			11	1	2	14	2	10	67	80	1	15	100		33					24			2	3	177
178	York, First	329	241	143	9	10	19	7		4	5	16	3			6	11	11	3	31	3	11	10	24	1	9	70		10					20			12	8	178
179	Yutan, St. John	621	502	310	11	2	13	13		1		13				5	13	5		23	9	13		22	1	13	130							30			18	8	179
	OKLAHOMA																																										
180	Oklahoma City, First	524	376	336	13	10	23	6		9		15	8		4	11	27	15	57	3	21	17	41	1	23	158		29	1	8	65			23	1			7	180
181	Perry, Zion	226	162	157	9		9	10			3	13		4	1	10		5	16	2	3	2	7	1	10	80							19				8	181
182	Stillwater, Salem	174	123	126	2	10	12	3			6	9	3		2	3	14	1	20		6	2	8	1	9	90							7			1	11	182
183	Tulsa, Ascension	253	144	130	9	12	21			3		3	18		1	5	20	3	29	1	2		3	1	11	161		13					18			9	9	183
184	Tulsa, First	822	576	498	22	27	49	8		10	9	27	22		7	18	36	24	85	5	16	30	51	1	44	310	24	23					30	1		1	14	184
	SOUTH DAKOTA																																										
185	Tea, Trinity	223	173	141	7		7	9				9		2		9			9	2	5		7	1	7	82							9			1	1	185
	TEXAS																																										
186	Bayersville, St. Paul	79	63	63	2		2						2							2	1		4	1	2	50							4			1	2	186
187	Lipscomb, St. John	120	58	84	4		4	4				4				4			4	1	2		4	1	7	50							9				2	187
	1957	44302	29609	23235	2497	1449	3946	1180	91	1179	1092	3412			697	1974	2071	699	5141	650	2190	1423	4277	189	3432	28896	302	4257	9	59	295	24	569	2894	26	1	250	1156	
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	Increase	1398	864	687					7	191									24		50	185	194	222	2	99	648							72	2		10	64	
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																		EXPENDITURES					APPROPRIATED				
Synod	Societies	Members	Societies	Members	Societies	Members	Societies	Members	Number Reporting	Value	Debt	Number Reporting	Debt	Value	Number Reporting	Total	Pastor's Salary	Number Reporting	Total	Number Reporting	Total	Number Reporting	Total	Number Reporting	Total	Synod
166	----	----	1	25	1	16	1	12	10000	-------	------	------	-------	10000	-------	1884	384	2220	179	------	10	80	84	294	900	875	1178	3481	166
167	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	8500	-------	------	7200	-------	15700	-------	225	-------	225	------	------	------	------	36	36	222	184	300	620	167
168	----	----	1	24	1	22	1	10	13000	5000	------	------	-------	20000	12061	2923	325	4250	1	------	------	------	70	72	1370	972	940	4282	168
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